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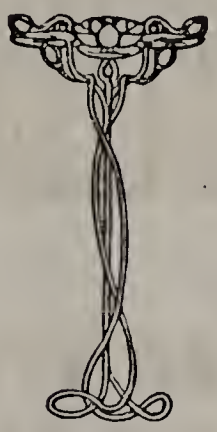
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Key to Numbers and Abbreviations

The part of the number preceeding the dash indicates the generation. The eighth generation has arbitrarily been selected for the beginning so as to permit carrying the record farther back when information is secured. The part following the dash designates the individual, and this series starts with one for each generation. Any irregularities in numerical order of families is due to retaining numbers, once they were assigned, on account of accompanying references.

A.L. —Assessment list.

B: —Born.

C.Co. —Cumberland Co., Pa.

D: —Died

(D) —Date of will.

H.S.P.—Historical Society of Pa.
13th and Locust St., Phila.

L.Co. —Lancaster Co., Pa.

M: —Married

P.A. —Penna. Archives

(P) —Probate date of will.

Res. —Residence.

(W) —Wife, or wife of.

Probable Origin of the Kneisly Family

"A people that take no pride in the noble achievements of remote ancestors will never achieve anything worthy to be remembered with pride by remote generations."—*McCauley.*

It appears that the Switzerland origin of the family is common hearsay handed down from generation to generation.

Professor Bussie from Germany, who taught German to 13-52 had a hobby of seeking the origin of family names. He said Kneisly is from Switzerland. Probably it was Kneisline, from Kneistl, meaning a loaf of bread, and the deminutive line, meaning small, or the combination meaning the small end of, or the heal of a loaf of bread. The line later became abreviated to ly, thus giving the spelling Kneisly.

J. Carl Knisley, nephew of 13-113 said a girl he knew from Switzerland told him there are many Kneisly families there.

12-64 stated that his fathers first cousin Daniel 11-9 from Dayton, Ohio visited him 8-27-1882, and said three brothers, George, Abraham and Daniel came from Switzerland early in the sixteenth century. One settled in Virginia, and the other two in Penna.

12-55 stated "Certainly the name is Swiss. I have been told Kn is always Swiss. My mother told me there were three Kneisly brothers who came from Switzerland."

13-95 states that there was a rumor handed down in their family that one branch lived in Maryland and that ancestors originally settled there when they came to America, and that the trail probably leads toward Frederick and that territory.

Dayton K., referred to under 26 of additional references, stated to 13-95 that Congressman John Little of Xenia, Ohio, about 1880, was much interested in the Kneisly family in connection with some supposed European estate and that he claimed to have traced the family back to Switzerland. However nothing came of it and he did not know how Congressman Little, who has been dead many years, traced the family, or what became of the information he collected.

History of Franklin Co., Pa.—Bates—1887, page 920. Samuel Knisley, Orrstown, B: March, 1826, Cumberland, Co. His family came to America from Switzerland. His Grandfather was born in York Co.

Attention is called to an early martyr—Lorentz Rudolph Eisley, mentioned under "Memorials of Huguenots in America," who suffered death in 1539 as a Mennonite in Switzerland. It is not at all unlikely that he was a forefather of the Kneisly family in America.

H. J. Vetlesen, a friend of 13-52, who lived ten years in Switzerland, said he was familiar with the Kneisly name over there, and that it was pronounced Nassly. He said Kn and le (the latter being so commonly found in old Pa. records) are distinctly Swiss spelling. The ending li (pronounced le) in Switzerland is very common and is derived from klein meaning small. In time this ending was simplified to lein, lin and finally to li. This ending is used not only in names but in daily language like Hausli, small house, and Stuckli, small place, etc. The li or le would naturally be spelled ly in America. He states that the Swiss spoken language

is a dialect. The written language is high german. The spoken language, when written, is really a phonetic spelling of German. It is quite a similar case to the Penna. Dutch language. He speaks the latter and says it is a dialect composed of Swiss and Platt Dutch, both being German dialects. The Platt Dutch was spoken by people living near Switzerland.

There seems to be quite some contention as to whether Kneisly and Nissly are the same family. Names and dates seem to indicate that they are separate families in America. However it is very probable that in Europe there was a transition of the name from Kneisly or Kneisli to Nissly, Nissley or Neisle as it is spelled in this country. Then too the very early spelling may have been Eisley. There is a Nissly booklet which traces to Jacob and John Nissly who emigrated in 1717 with 18 Swiss-German families from the Palatinate on the Rhine in Germany to Lancaster Co., Pa. Nissly history also appears in Harris Biographical History of Lancaster Co.

The Kneisly name in this record is spelled numerous ways due to many names being written phonetically on official records, and phonetic transition, and intentional changes by different families. The second to fifth inclusive in the following list are on one family burial lot.

Gneissley	9-3	Kneisly	8-1	Neisely	10-44
Kneislei	11-59	Kneissley	8-1	Neisley	8-1
Kneislie	12-77	Kneissly	9-2	Nicely	9-2
Knisley	11-59	Knessly	9-14	Niesley	10-42
Knisely	12-76	Kniesley	10-11	Niesly	9-12
Kneiseley	9-1	Kniesly	12-7	Nisely	9-2
Kneisely	10-11	Kniseley	12-68	Nislay	9-14
Kneisle	9-3	Knisely	10-11		
Kneisley	9-14	Knysley	9-10		

Early Settlements in Pennsylvania

Memorials of Huguenots in America

Rev. A. Stapleton, 1901. Huguenot Publishing Co., Carlisle, Pa. Excerpts: Pages, 1, 34, 41, 42, 88, 98, 108, 113 and 116.

The region ceded to Wm. Penn in 1681 and now known as Penna. originally embraced the three counties comprising the state of Delaware, and not until 1703 was it erected into a separate colony.

The first white residents of Penna. were Huguenots in 1623 with a trading station along the Deleware River.

Philadelphia was founded by the Quakers in 1682.

In 1683 a large number of Mennonites, under encouragement of Wm. Penn, emigrated from Creyfels, in the Duchy of Cleves, under the leadership of Pastorius to Penna. and founded Germantown.

Of all branches of the Christian Church having their origin in the Reformation, there is none that has passed thru more firey ordeal than the Mennonites. The church was founded by Menno Simon, a distinguished reformer who was born in Witmarsum, Friesland in 1505. About 1538 he began to organize his adherants into societies.

The persecution of the Mennonites was especially severe in Switzerland, the storm center being the city of Zurich. Here in the cloister town of Othenbach great numbers were confined, many of whom were starved to death or died of neglect besides those who suffered at the stake, block or gibbet. In 1539 Lorentz Rudolph Eisley, of Gronau was cast into prison and subsequently suffered death. In 1626 the Mennonites were recognized as a Protestant Denomination in Holland which ended their active persecution in that country.

The years from 1638 to 1643 were fruitful in Mennonite martyrdom and it is humiliating to confess that Protestants as well as Catholics must be held responsible for the sacrifice of many inoffensive lives. About 1671 their situation becoming intolerable by persecution, a large number of them emigrated to Alsace. Years followed of dire calamity.

This body of Christians were scattered over Central Europe and thru their rigid faith and austere mode of life came in sharp conflict not only with Papists but in many instances with the Protestants.

The Mennonites were not Huguenots in the proper sense of that term. Their settlement in Alsace, however, which was annexed to France during their sojourn there made them French citizens, and in that relation many of them came to Penna.

Of early Mennonite and Huguenot settlers the following list, nearly all heads of families, embraces only such as arrived prior to 1718 in Lancaster Co.—Jacob Nissley.

Barnitz. The history of this family both in France and in America has been an honorable one. One branch is of noble rank and has given many distinguished names to French history. The family came from Alsace and in our opinion arrived in 1737. John George Barnitz was born 1722 and died 1796. His monument may be seen in the rear of Christ Lutheran Church, in York, Pa.

In 1694 arrived the famous band of Pietists, (Rosecrucians) and founded their community on the Wissahickon, near Phila., so graphically described by Sachse in his "German Pietists of Penna." Scarcely was the success of their initial settlements assured, when began the flocking in of

tens of thousands of Palatines from the valley of the Rhine.

The same period witnessed the coming of thousands of Covenanters (Scotch-Irish) who made New Castle their chief landing place, and from thence they pushed northward and founded the settlements of Octorora, Douegal, Paxtang, Marsh Creek, the Cumberland valley, etc.

In 1709 a settlement of Mennonites was effected in the Pequea Valley in Lancaster Co. They received a warrant of 10,000 acres in 1710 from Wm. Penn. Of this tract 2000 acres were expressly reserved for Madame Ferree and her family. Martin Kendig, a leader in the movement, returned to Europe and returned with colonists in 1712 and 1727.

America has no more pious, law abiding and thrifty citizens than the Mennonites and they have by their consumate skill as tillers of the soil made Lancaster Co. the richest agricultural county in America. The township in which they located was called Strasburg, in honor of the city from which many of the colony had come.

In 1719 about twenty families of the German Baptists (Dunkards) arrived at Germantown, followed ten years later by the entire parent organization under the leadership of their founder, Alexander Mack, from Schwartzenau, Germany, as the result of great persecution.

Like the Mennonites, the Baptist Brethern, or Dunkards as they are most familiarly known, passed thru the fires of persecution before they established themselves in Penna. Among the refugees were a number of leading families with Huguenot antecedents. They first settled in Coventry, Lancaster Co.

In 1734 there arrived in Phila. from Silesia, after a wearisome journey on foot thru Holland, where they embarked, the scattered remnants of the Schwenkfelders to start anew the work of their beneficent faith among the hills of eastern Penna.

In 1741 the advance guard of the Moravians arrived as the result of disquietude in their new settlement in North Carolina and founded at Bethlehem the largest colony of these excellent people in America. In 1742 Count Zinzendorf founded the Moravian Society of Litiz in Lancaster Co. Connected with this community were a number of members who were of Huguenot origin.

In 1774 the last refugee party arrived from England with the distinguished Dr. Joseph Priestly at their head. By his discovery of oxygen in 1774 he layed the foundation of modern chemistry.

During the dark ages of the French Revolution in 1793 a large number of political exiles, mostly of noble rank came to Penna., and founded the town of Asylum on the north branch of the Susquehanna River. Among its promoters was the Viscount, Louis de Noialles, the brother-in-law of Lafayette.

In all those incoming bodies of immigrants, expatriated from their native land by the mailed hand of religious intolerance, were a considerable number of Huguenots.

Their opposition to war, physical resistance, civil courts and oath taking marked a wide divergence from the civil and political laws and usages of the day, while their advocacy of complete religious toleration and education brought them in conflict with the narrow bigotry of nearly all the established Churches. Their ministers and teachers took no stated salary but, like the apostles of old, traveled about to preach and indoctrinate the people in the faith. There never was a more devoted class of ministers in any other Protestant Denomination, and we have never read or heard of any of them abjuring their faith under the most dreadful tortue ever inflicted on man.

Their immigration to Penna. was somewhat different from that of their coreligionists in other parts of America, as most of them came with the german speaking Swiss and Palatines with whom they, or their fathers, had sojourned after their flight from France. Many had entirely changed their French names for a German equivalent and also adopted the language of their German friends.

No particular country can be said to be the cradle of the Reformation. It started in France early in the sixteenth century. The reformed people of France were called "Huguenots." The regulations of 1666 were the occasion of the first immigration of Huguenots, and in a short time thousands had sought refuge in foreign lands. By official proclamation England, Holland, Switzerland, and Denmark offered asylum to the refugees.

Among the first settlers in Lancaster Co. were a number of French traders who lived on the Schuylkill as early as 1690 and soon after 1700 moved to this valley. Martin Chartier came to the province prior to 1690. His trading post was on the Susquehanna, near Columbia, where he died in 1718. Captain Letort had a trading post at Conestoga prior to 1703.

The chief interest of the French Protestant immigration to this region centers around the arrival of the Ferree and Lefever families in 1712 and the advance refugees of the Mennonites who arrived near the same time. Among the first arrivals was Samuel Boyer in 1710 with a large family. The initial settlement made and the pioneers favorably situated, the news spread with surprising rapidity among the exiles in Holland, Switzerland and the Palatinate, and Lancaster Co. soon became an objective point for many.

There was no distinctive religious organization by the Huguenots as they had affiliated with various branches of the Protestant Church in the land of their exile. The record of the First Reformed Church of Lancaster, founded in 1731 and the Trinity Lutheran Church also founded early show a large Huguenot membership.

Early dates of Huguenot arrivals in Lancaster Co: 1709, 1712, 1718, 1719, 1727, 1730, 1731, 1732, 1733, 1756; in York Co. 1736, 1737, 1754, 1761; in the State of Delaware, prior to 1660, 1677 and 1680.

History of Lancaster and York Counties, Pa.

Daniel Rupp, Lancaster, Pa. Published 1844 by Gilbert Hills. Copy in Phila. Public Library and in Pottsville, Pa. Library. Excerpts: pages 22, 38, 53, 68, 74, 117, 121, 135, 181, 185, 191, 233, 237, 240, 241, 249, 293, 433, 434, 438 and 456.

Wm. Penn obtained a Royal Charter from Charles II, dated Westminister, March 4, 1681 for a tract of land "lying north of Maryland; on the east bounded by the Delaware river; on the west limited by Maryland; and northward to extend as far as plantable." He landed at New Castle Oct. 27, 1682. Phila. was laid out in the same year. Penn sailed for Europe Aug. 16, 1684 and returned 1699. In 1684 the province and territories were divided into 22 townships containing 7000 inhabitants, of whom 2500 resided in Phila. He returned to England Nov. 1, 1701, sailing from Phila.

About 1685 upwards of 500,000 Huguenots made their escape from France to Germany, Switzerland, Holland, England and America. At this critical juncture, the Mennonites were persecuted in Switzerland and driven into various countries; some to Alsace, above Strasburg; others to Holland, etc., where they lived simple and exemplary lives. Some of those about Strasburg, with other High and Low Germans transported themselves

about 1683 by encouragement of Wm Penn to Pennsylvania and settled principally in Germantown, the great part of whom were naturalized in 1709.

About 1706-07 a number of persecuted Swiss Mennonites went to England and made an agreement with Wm. Penn for lands to be taken up. Several families from the Palatinate, descendants of the distressed Swiss emigrated to America and settled in Lancaster County in the year 1709. A Swiss Company was organized to emigrate to America. The list of names are the same family names as referred to later in which appears Jacob Nisley. They came to Conestoga Twp., Lancaster Co. in 1709.

They were, as their descendants still are, a highly moral and religious people. They took little part in the affairs of government and taught their young men that the first great duty of life was for each man to mind his own business. They encouraged industry and discouraged ambition by a representation of the evils necessarily following in its train. They were farmers.

They had been very numerous until about the year 1791 or 1792, when a considerable number seceded and united themselves with the United Brethern. Nevertheless they are (1844) the prevalent denomination in this county. Among their ministers at present are Jacob Stauffer, John Hoover, John Nissly, Christian Nissly. These all preach in German. The probable number of Mennonite Church members can not be less than 6000. They keep no record of names so it is difficult to ascertain the exact number. Their forefathers all brought bibles with them. We have seen within the last year several editions of the Swiss bible printed in Zurich 1540 and still in a good state of preservation with the Mennonites.

During the administration of Charles Gookin as Governor from 1709 to 1717 the first permanent settlements were made within the present limits of Lancaster Co., then Chester Co. Though no actual settlements had been made prior to 1708 or 1709 in Lancaster Co., a few whites had their abodes among the Indians on the Susquehanna. These were Indian traders, viz—Mitchel, a Swiss who had been sent out by the Canton of Berne, Switzerland.

The first settlement of any extent in Lancaster Co. was made by German Mennonites in 1709-10 in the neighborhood of Willow Street in Lampeter and Conestoga Twps. In 1717 settlements were begun on the banks of the Octoraro. According to Gordon, Lancaster Co. was originally laid out in 1728 by James Hamilton of Phila. At a council held in Phila. 1728 the Governor informed the board the House of Representatives concured in the erection of the upper part of the Co. of Chester into a separate Co. to be called Lancaster. In 1729 a piece of land was purchased to be used as a Court House and Prison for Lancaster Co.

A list of names including Jacob Nisley were persons naturalized Oct. 14, 1729. They had all come to this country previous to 1718 and had held lands before 1729. They were Protestants who were subjects of the Emperor of Germany and came to Penna. between 1700 and 1718. All were of Lancaster Co. Many names similar to this list are previously quoted as being persecuted between 1638 and 1643 in Switzerland.

List of names of landowners who settled at an early date within the present limits of Lancaster Co. These named, all settled prior to 1735—Nessleys, Mitchells of Sadsbury, Adams.

The Governor on Aug. 19, 1749 made a division of Lancaster Co., and the part east of the Susquehanna was called York Co.

Samuel Wright laid out the town of Columbia in 1787. Lancaster City was the capital of the State 1799 to 1812.

Chronological Survey of the Kneisly Name

From 1745 to 1810

1745—John 8-2 took out a warrant for 100 acres in Hempfield Twp., Lancaster Co., Penna.

1746—George 8-1 took out a warrant for 150 acres in Lancaster Co.

1757—John 8-2 died, Hempfield Twp.

1771—A.L.-P.A. 3 Ser. Vol. XVII, Manheim Twp. L. Co. George Knisly 100 acres. Also Samuel without any land.

1772—A.L. Manheim and Hempfield Twps. name missing.

1773—Christian 9-18 Single on A.L. Cocalico Twp. L. Co.
George Kneissly 100 acres. A.L.

1779—Christian 9-18 Married, no land, A.L. Earle Twp. L. Co.
John 9-14 of York Co. bought grist, saw and merchant mills in Little Britain Twp. L. Co.
John Kneissly—90 acres. A.L. Manheim Twp.
George Nisly—2 acres. A.L. Hempfield Twp.

1782—A.L.-P.A. 3 Ser. Vol. XVII
John 9-14 Little Britain Twp. 2 M.S. and 7 acres.
Michael 10-42 Little Britain Twp. no land.
Christ 10-44 Little Britain Twp. 96 acres.
John. Manheim Twp. 80 acres.
George Nissly. Hempfield Twp. 2 mills, S., 2 acres.

1783—John 9-14 sold the mills in Little Britain Twp.

1786—George 8-1 died. Hempfield Twp. L. Co.

1787—John 9-14 died. Martick Twp. L. Co.

1790—The first U.S. census contains many names misspelled and lists are not complete. The census names refer to heads of families. First column all males over 16 years, including father. Second column all males under 16 years. Third column all females including mother.
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Michael 9-10 Cocalico Twp. page 129.	3-0-3.
George Gneissley, Manheim Twp.	1-4-2.
John 9-2 Hempfield Twp.	2-1-2.

Jacob and John Kinsley Mountjoy Twp.
Michael Greissley Lancaster Boro.
Warrington Twp. York Co. page 279.

Abraham	10-34	1-0-1
Anthony	9-13	1-3-4
Anthony	10-32	1-3-4
Jo	10-31	1-4-3
Michael	10-35	1-0-1
John Nicely		1-4-5
Anthony Nicely		2-0-8
Anthony Nicely		1-4-5

Chanceford Twp. York Co.

Christian Nicely	1-1-6

Helam Twp. York Co.

Chrisly Nicely	2-1-6

1803—A.L. Manor Twp. L. Co. Michael and John.

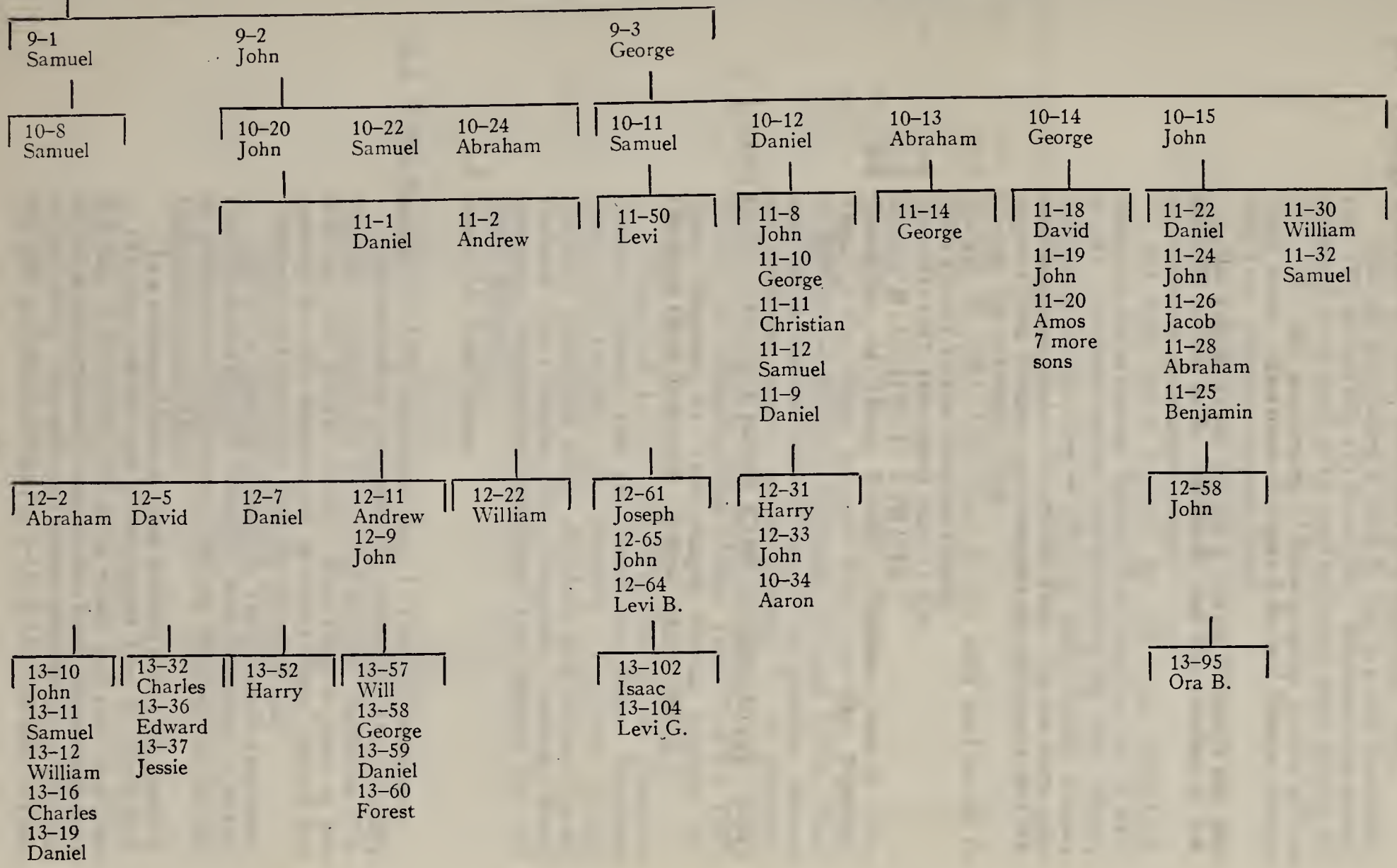
1805—A.L. Manor Twp. L. Co. Christian—Inmate, weaver (10-44)

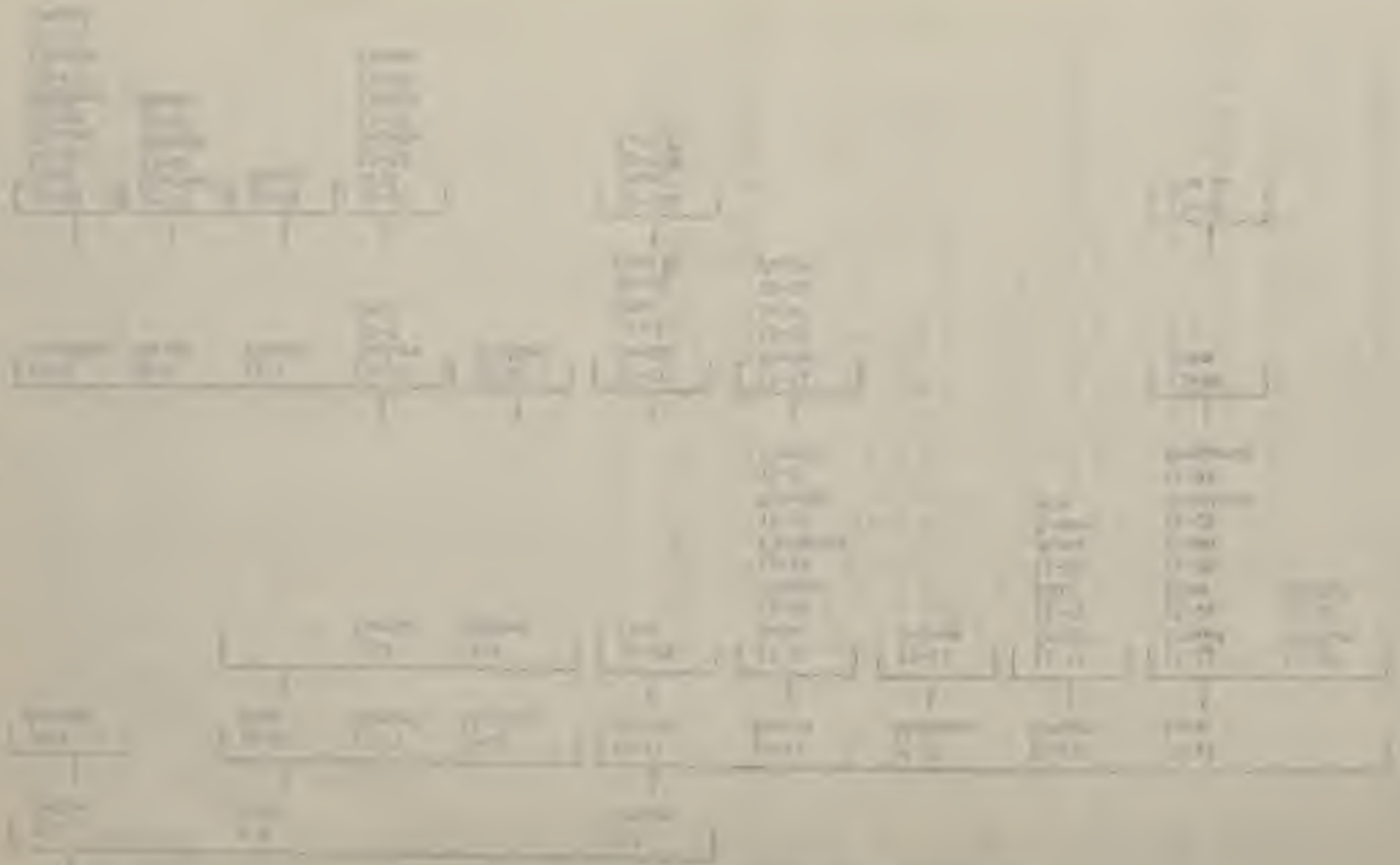
1809—A.L. Manor Twp. L. Co. Christian 5 acres, John, weaver, inmate.

1810—Census of Manor Twp. L. Co. shows Christian 45 years or older, with wife 45 years or older, one son under 10, one daughter under 10; also Christian Jr. 26 and under 45, wife same, 3 sons and 2 daughters under 10, one son 10 and under 16, one daughter 16 and under 26. Census of Hempfield Twp. L. Co. John 9-2, and John 10-20.

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Females and males who died single, are omitted.





8-1 George Kneisly. D: 1786, Hempfield and Manheim Twps.

His will is recorded in book E, Vol. I, p 316, Lancaster, Pa. (D) 10-19-1785, (P) 2-13-1786. His name was spelled Kneissley by a clerk as he used his mark when signing his will. No wife mentioned. Children given in the will as listed below. Executors: his sons John and George, Hempfield Twp. Witness—Samuel Mayer.

His will shows the wife of 9-3 to be Elizabeth and also the wife of 9-2 to be Elizabeth, and the families of 9-4, 9-5, 9-6 to be as indicated below.

8-1 took out a warrant for 150 acres 10-26-1746. Name on list as George Neisley, P.A. 3rd. Ser. Vol. XXIV, p. 493. As there was no George among the early Nissley families in L. Co., this is taken to mean George Kneisly who lived and died in Hempfield Twp. On the same page appears John Neisley for a warrant for 50 acres 4-29-1748. George had a brother John.

9-1 Samuel. D: 1803, Allen Twp. C. Co. with land partly in York Co. on Yellow Breeches Creek.

9-2 John. D: 1812, Hempfield Twp. L. Co.

9-3 George. B: 8-2-1751. D: 2-20-1816.

9-4 Catharine. M: Henry Yordey. Children: John in Allen Twp. C. Co., Mary in same Twp. (w) Chr. Poorman, Magdalena (w) Benedict Mellinger, Donegal, L. Co., Peter and David, minors, Jacob Miller, C. Co. guardian, Samuel and Christian, minors, Samuel Kneisly, C. Co. guardian.

9-5 Barbara. M: Jacob Beidler. Children: John, Ann (w) Henry Musser. M: Frederick Berg, Helam Twp. York Co. Children: Frederick D: 1804, single, David, Barbara (w) Christian Ober, Benjamin, Andrew, Mary, Veronica.

Abstract of L. Co. wills 1721-1820 in the Historical Society of Penna., 13th and Locust Sts., Phila. Frederick Berg (D) 4-8-1804, (P) 8-4-1804. Executor, George Kneissly, Hempfield Twp. Brothers and Sisters: David, Barbara, (w) Christian Ober, Benjamin, Andrew, Mary, Veronica. Step-brother and Sister: John Beidler, Ann (w) Henry Musser.

9-6 Mary. M: John Mayer.

8-2 John Kneisly. D: 1757 Hempfield Twp. L. Co. M: Christina.

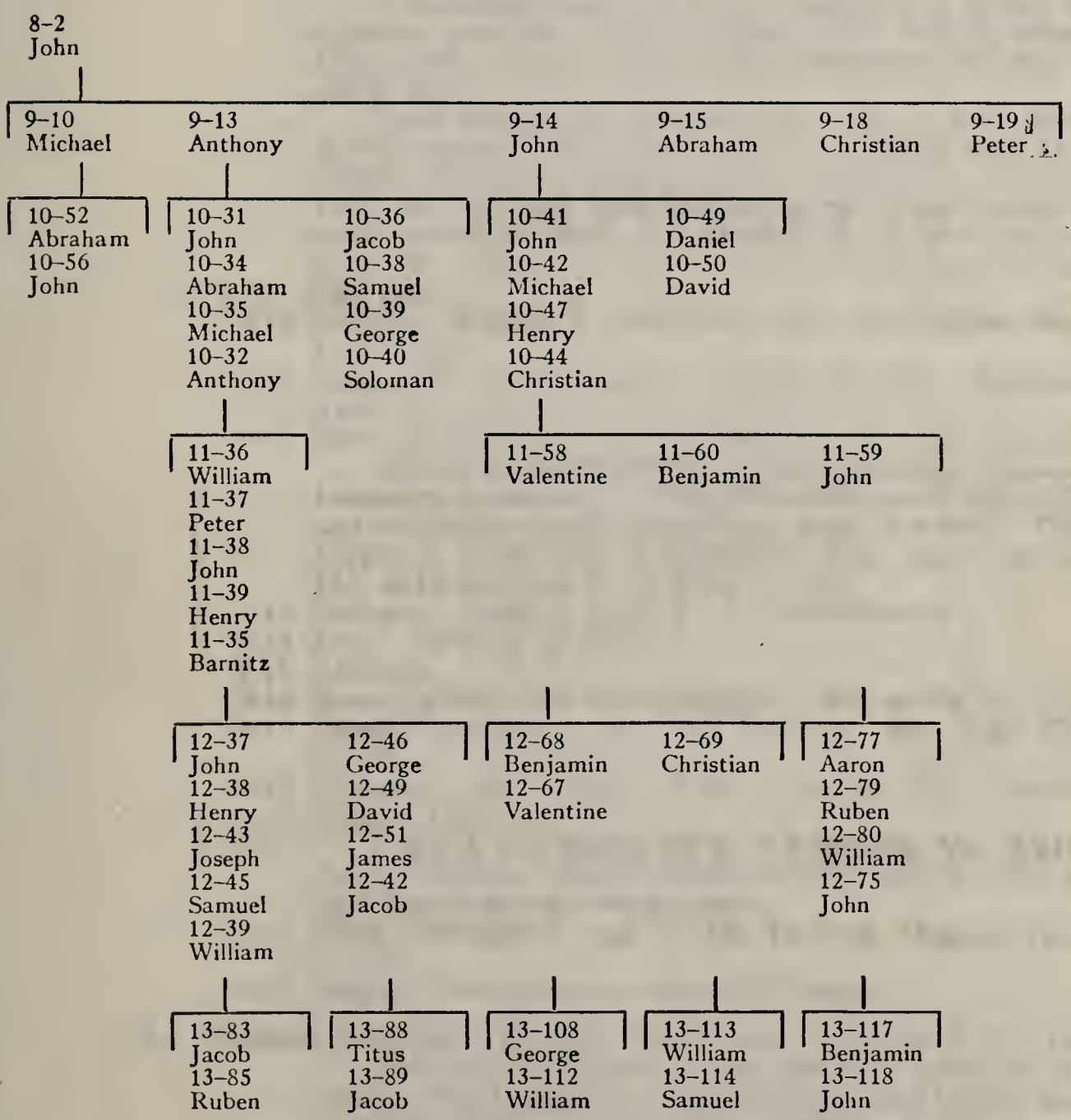
The records in Lancaster, Pa., show that Hans Kneisly took out a warrant for 100 acres 9-4-1745. Reference P.A. 3rd. Ser. Vol. XXIV, p. 450. This Hans is John, as frequently in early records will be found Hans, Johann and Johannes, and later just John for the same man.

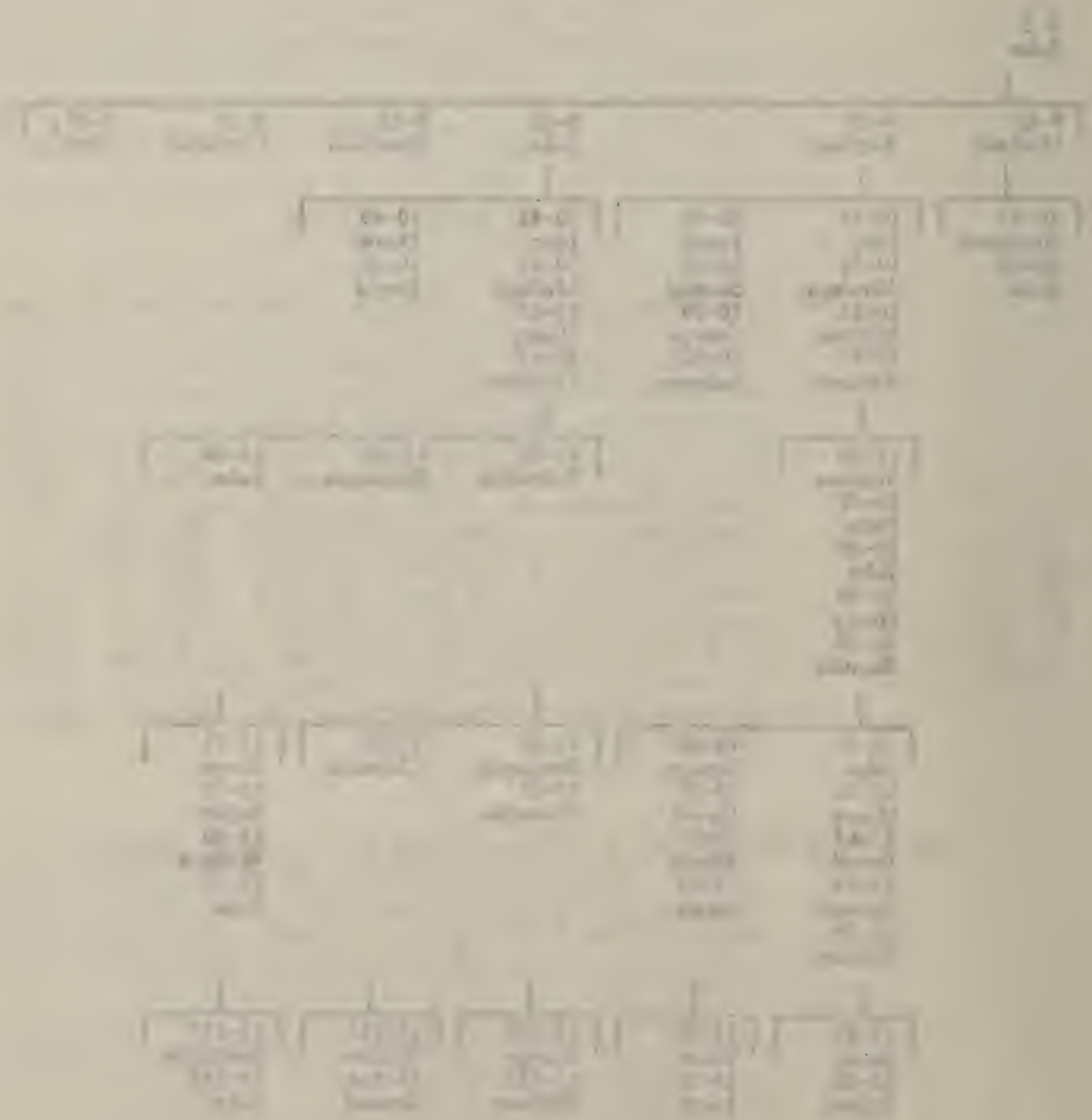
His will is recorded in book B, Vol. 1, p. 169. Lancaster, Pa., (D) 6-15-1757, (P) 7-30-1757, wife Christina. Children as given below. Executors—his son Michael, his brother George and Jacob Myer.

In a release of heirs of John Kneisly 6-26-1773, Book Y, p. 152, they sell his land in Hempfield Twp. to Jacob Neff. 8-2 had, at his death, 200 acres which was part of a tract of 234 acres surveyed to him by the Land Office under date of 2-21-1734. The wife and eleven children are as given in the will, and the marriages of 9-11, 9-12, 9-16 and 9-17 are

8-2 GEORGE KNEISLY GENEALOGY

Females and males who died single, are omitted





as indicated below. 9-12 was named Mary and 9-17 was named Beverly.

Another settlement of the heirs of 8-2 appears in book Y, p. 158, dated 3-4-1775. There in 9-12 is Magdalena, and 9-17 is Barbara.

Deed book Y, p. 158 dated 3-4-1775 states 8-16-1760 George Kneisly (8-1) and Jacob Myer were appointed guardians over Christian, Peter and Joseph; further that, now Peter had arrived at the age of 21 years (1775) and Joseph died single. Notice that George 8-1 and Jacob Myer were executors for 8-2.

It seems as though the three youngest boys belong to a second marriage. 9-19 B: about 1754. 9-10 B: about 1736 in order to be 21 years old when executor of his father's will in 1757.

From History of Lancaster Co., Pa., p. 877, John Kneisly came to this country with the Scotch-Irish and settled near Silver Spring in 1718. Died 1758. Levi B. 12-64 said he heard John Kneisly laid out Silver Spring, a small community about one mile from 12-64. That history gives the children as below and same marriages of the four girls.

9-10 Michael. Residing Cocalico Twp. 1773. D: Cocalico Twp. L. Co. 1793.

9-11 Anna. M: Jacob Folwell. A widow in 1775. Residing York Co.

9-12 Mary (Magdalena). M: John Mumma. Res. Md. in 1775.

Among the marriages at the First Reformed Church, Lancaster, is this record: John Mummert, son of Diebrich, and Magdalena Niesly, daughter of John, 6-3-1745. This Mummert family was in Hempfield Twp., then went to Md. and later came into Adams Co., Pa.

9-13 Anthony. York Co. in 1775. D: 1799 York Co.

9-14 John. York Co. in 1775.

9-15 Abraham.

9-16 Maria (Mary). M: Conrad Beaver. Res. in Va. in 1775.

9-17 Beverly (Barbara). M: John Harnish. Res. York Co. in 1775.

9-18 Christian. Res. Cocalico Twp. L. Co. in 1773. Manor Twp. in 1760.

The A.L. of Cocalico Twp., P.A. 3rd Ser. Vol. XVII, shows Christian Kneisly, single in 1773, and in 1779 in Earl Twp. married, without land.

9-19 Peter. Hempfield Twp. L. Co. in 1775. Manor Twp. in 1760.

9-20 Joseph. Deceased on or before 1773, single.

9-1 Samuel Kniseley. D: 1803 Allen Twp., Cumberland Co., Pa.

Will of (8-1) "Samuel, eldest son, now living on my land in Allen Township—partly in Cumberland County and partly in York County on Yellow Breeches Creek."

(9-1) will is probated Oct. 19, 1803, Carlisle, Cumberland Co., Pa., Book G, page 13. Testator describes himself as a farmer and very weak in health. To son Samuel Kniseley the saw mills and farm on both sides of the creek (Yellow Breeches), the same may be in the Co. of Cumber-

land or in the Co. of York. Testator makes the further provision that if son Samuel does not manage the farm and saw mill well it is to be sold for the maintenance of the family. No other children mentioned in the will. Signed Samuel Kniseley. Executors: John Coffman, George Kniseley "Dear Brother". Will made 9-29-1803. Witnesses: C. Quigley, Eleanore Roseberry (owned adjoining land).

10-8 Samuel. D: 1814 Allen Twp., Cumberland Co., Pa.

Administration account of Samuel Kniseley, Allen Twp. 8-1-1814. Letters issued to Adam Brandt, William Bryson.

Orphans Court Records, estate of Samuel Kniseley (died 1814). Orphans Court Docket 6 page 263. At an Orphans Court begun Tuesday 12-10-1816 at Carlisle, came Samuel Kniseley and Catherine Kniseley, minor orphan children of Samuel Kniseley late of Allen Twp., and asked that guardians be appointed, minors being above the age of 14 years. They nominated as their guardians and the Court made the appointment of Jacob Musselman guardian of Samuel, and John Musselman guardian of Catherine.

9-2 John Kneisly. M: First, Elizabeth, M: second, Magdalena Miller 11-10-1799.

Will book K, Vol. I, p. 267, Lancaster, Pa. (Index spells Kneisle. Written Kneisly in the will.) shows John Kneisly of Hempfield Twp. (D) 12-13-1811, (P.) 12-28-1812. Wife—Magdalena. Children as given below.

In 1786 he sold his share of the Hempfield-Manheim Twp. tract to 9-3. Deed 3-1-1786, book EE, p. 354, Lancaster, Pa. between John and George Kneisly, covering a certain tract in Manheim Twp., inherited jointly from their father George. "It being the same tract of land which the Proprietaries of Penna. by their patent dated 7-22-1747 did grant unto the said George Kneisly, as by said patent recorded at Phila. in Patent book A, Vol. 12 p. 519 may appear."

Deed book NN, p. 59. 5-6-1789. Shows arrangement of water right between 9-3 and 9-2. "George Kneisly of Manheim Twp. has a tract of land—etc.—and John Kneisly of Hempfield Twp. has a water grist mill oyl mill, and hemp mill, and tract of land adjoining George's land.—on Little Conestoga Creek—etc."

Deed Book No. 1, p. 159, 5-12-1810, John 9-2 Nisely of Hempfield Twp. and wife Magdalena sold 30 acres to Christian Miller. Said John Nicely had purchased 200 acres of Henry Gochenaur in 1783. This 30 acres was part of that tract. Deed also shows John Nicely (by the name of John Kneissley) and he signs "John Kneissly" and Magdalena makes her mark—written Nicely by the clerk.

P.A. shows John Nissle (no doubt 9-2) of Hempfield Twp. in 1790 with one son 16 years or older, one son under 16 years, one daughter and wife. On the 1779 A.L. 9-2 appears with the married men. In 1779 he owned 90 acres in Manheim Twp.

The 1810 census, secured from Washington, D. C. for Hempfield Twp. L. Co., shows only two Kneisly families: John Jr. 45 or older, with one son under 10, two sons of 16 and under 26, and wife 45 or older; John 26 to 45, with 5 sons under 10 years, 2 daughters under 10, and wife 26 to 45 years old.

The John Jr. is 9-2 and should be marked Sr. He was older than the other and his father's name was George. The family of 9-2 in 1790 corresponds fully, in number and ages, with the 1810 census of which 10-24 is the youngest, 10-21 and 10-22 are the next two, and 10-20, who would be 36 or older based upon 1790 record, corresponds to the age of the head of the other family. 9-2's daughter 10-23 in 1790 does not appear in 1810 as she was dead. 9-2 died in 1812 in Hempfield Twp, thus the census family designated 10-20 could not have been the 9-2 family, as none of the children were old enough to have a son 11-2 in 1813.

After death of Magdalena, second wife of 9-2 a portion of money left to her for life came back to his children. Hence deeds of release from them: Deed book Q, Vol. 6, p. 203 in 1839, p. 204 in 1840, p. 205 in 1840, Book R, Vol. 6, p. 95—1840, p. 97—1840, Book U. Vol. 6, p. 45—1842

Four children of the first marriage:

10-20 John. Living in Manor Twp. L. Co. in 1819.

10-21 George. D: 1813-14. Unmarried. Was of unsound mind. Christian Miller, Jr. was administrator for George. Deed book M, Vol. 5, p. 217.

10-22 Samuel. Living in Walker Twp. Juniata Co., Pa. in 1840.

10-23 Elizabeth. D: prior to 1811. M: Christian Miller 12-4-1798. Had two sons—Christian Jr. and Andrew. Deed book 23, p. 204, Lancaster, Pa.

Child of second marriage:

10-24 Abraham. B: 1800. Living in Walker Twp. Juniata Co., Pa. in 1840. Deed book M-5-225, Lancaster, Pa. shows on 5-12-1821 he was 21 years of age, and his guardian, Peter Summy, turned over to him his share from his father's estate. Orphans' Court records Vol. 1813-1816, p. 135 shows Jan. 1814 Abraham was over 14 years. He went with his half brother Samuel to Walker Twp. Juniata Co. Samuel was apparently much older.

See note under 10-55.

9-3 George Kneisly. B: 8-2-1751, D: 2-20-1816.

(Dates from 10-15 family Bible.) M: Mary Myers (Meyer), D: 1792-1796. M: Elizabeth. He died at Huntsdale, Dickinson Twp., (now Penn Twp.) Cumberland Co. His will probated 7-26-1816, Book H, page 376, Carlisle, Pa. Also recorded Vol. 2, page 256, Tuscarawas Co., New Philadelphia, Ohio on May 20, 1846 at the request of Harrison I. Kneisly.

Abstract from will—Knisely, George, (D) Feb., 1816, (P) July 1816. Exec. Daniel, George and John Knisely. Dickinson Twp., Cumberland Co. (w) Elizabeth. Children—Samuel, Daniel, Abraham, George, John and Catharine Sofe.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Lancaster, Pa. records marriage 4-8-1794 George Kneisly to Elizabeth Furry. This is probably 9-3 as record also shows marriages of 10-11 and 10-12 and 10-13. The name in each case spelled Kneisle. Mary was the Mother of 10-15, and Elizabeth was wife of 9-3 in 1796, so Mary died 1792-1796.

13-95 said 9-3 must have remarried before leaving East Petersburg, and Mary must be buried near that town, probably in a Dunker graveyard. He said 10-15 always spoke of Elizabeth as his step-mother. She must have returned from Ohio, where she spent some time with 10-15, and is probably buried in L. Co.

12-64 in 1924 stated 9-3's house near East Petersburg, L. Co., was built by George and Mary in 1789—brick house, slate roof and stood good 8-27-1882, and he heard it was good only a few years ago.

12-64 has a copy of the 9-3 will as mentioned. His Father's attorney secured it when tracing a legal matter. He said this is the same will 12-55 referred to and sent him a copy.

12-55 stated "9-3 bequeaths to his wife Elizabeth, yet I have notes that the mother of 10-15 was Mary Myers and her descendants moved to Ohio. I know that her sons John and George did."

Deed recorded at Lancaster shows 6-23-1796 the wife of 9-3 was Elizabeth.

1790 census shows George Gneissley with no sons over 16 years—but four sons under 16 years. That agrees with dates here with as John, the last son, was born 1792.

The 1790 A.L. for Manheim Twp. in P.A. shows George Gneissley. Accordingly he went to C. Co. after 1790.

Abstract of L. Co. wills, in Historical Society of Penna., 13th and Locust Sts., Phila. gives will of Mary Myers' 9-3 Father. Samuel Meyer, D: 11-5-1807, (P) 1-29-1811. Exec. Samuel, and Henry Meyer, Mt. Joy Twp. Children—Samuel, Cornelius, Henry, Abraham, Elizabeth (w) Christian Shelly, Catharine (w) Benjamin Bear, and Mary (w) George Kneissly. "1/7 part to the children of Mary, deceased, late wife of George Kneissly."

Samuel Meyer, father of Mary 9-3 was with George Washington at Valley Forge. He was born 1740 L. Co.

The same abstract has apparently the will of the father-in-law of 9-3 and 10-12. John Forrer D: 5-23-1807, (P) 7-29-1811. Exec. Chrisly Rorer, Lancaster Twp. Wife Elizabeth Forrer. Children—Martin, Chrisly, Ann (w) Daniel Kendig, John, Mary (w) Chrisly Rorer, Elizabeth (w) George Knisely, Barbara (w) Henry Myer, and Christiana (w) Daniel Knisely. Grandchildren—John, Henry and Daniel Forrer (children of John).

By an indenture 4-4-1812 recorded Carlisle, Pa. Book U, Vol. I, p. 626, Daniel Smith of Dickinson Twp., C. Co. sold to George Kneisly of Manheim Twp. L. Co. two parcels of land containing 1332 acres together with Merchant Grist Mill, and Saw Mill located in Dickinson Twp. for the sum of 8000 pounds. This was part of 2079

acres called Spring Mills Estate which John Arthur sold to Daniel Smith 11-8-1809, as recorded Book T, Vol I, p. 289. In this indenture the name is spelled Kneisly, Kneisley and Kneisely. In bounding the land reference is is made to lands of Michael Ege, John and Robert Watson, William Lusk and William Brandt and the Pine Grove Road.

The original of this indenture on sheepskin was given to 13-95 in 1931 by H. G. Sheaffer, the owner (receiving from his father) of that part of the old estate which is situated on the Yellow Breeches Creek and contains the barn and orchard and the site of the old log home. The other lands were broken up into smaller parcels.

By an indenture (photostat of which was secured by 13-95), recorded in Book AA, Vol. I, p. 321, dated 3-28-1814 Daniel Smith sells to George Kneisly for $26,666.67 the two identical parcels covered by the indenture dated 4-4-1812. Both indentures indicated acknowledgement thereon for full payment of the purchase amount.

A trip by 13-95 in 1931 to Huntsdale, southwest of Carlisle, Pa. revealed the fact that adjacent to the intersection of the Pine Grove Road with the Phila-Reading R.R. were located all of the structures operated by 9-3. Just east of the intersection and on the north side of the R.R. was the site of his log house. Immediately east thereof was the location of the oil mill, moved there years ago from south of the R.R. for use as a freight station and burned down in 1931.

South of the R.R. and east of the road is the flour mill, a stone structure, which is standing, and just east thereof is the site of the fuller mill. South of the R.R. and west of the road is the site of the old distillery. The Yellow Breeches Creek which parallels the R.R. on the south side furnished the power for these mills.

North of the R.R. and west of the road is the stone barn, built in 1812, which is in good repair. Just north thereof is the orchard mentioned in his will. West of the orchard is the Dunker Meeting House with the grave yard where 9-3 is buried in the fourth row from the rear. The inscription on his head stone reads: "Here rests the bones of George Kneisly who died the 20th day of February 1816 and his age was 64 years, 6 mo. and 18 days. This verifies the 10-15 Bible record as to his age and death.

Near the head stone of 9-3 is another reading "In memory of Mary Knisely who died the first of May, 1816 in the 50th year of her age". This cannot be the first wife Mary of 9-3 as she died 1792-1796. Nor can she be the daughter of 9-3 as he died 2-20-1816 and she was not mentioned in his will. She was probably either the wife of 9-1 or she may have been 9-6 if she had divorced John Mayer.

The places of interest concerning the 9-3 estate and the burial ground were investigated by 13-52 in 1931.

10-11 Samuel. B: 1786 (Estimated) D: Aug. 1830.

10-12 Daniel. B: 10-19-1785 L. Co. D: 11-30-1865. Five miles from Dayton, O.

10-13 Abraham. B: 1-10-1788. D: 3:22-1822 Manheim Twp. L. Co.
10-14 George. B: 1789, Penn. D: 5-11-1851 Dayton, Ohio.
10-15 John. B: 1-11-1792 L. Co. D: 11-25-1868, Kneisly, Ohio.
10-16 Catherine. B: 1-24-1783. D: 10-4-1831.

9-10 Michael Kneisly. M: Barbara.

Historical Society of Pa., Phila. shows abstract of will. Michael Kneisly (D) 7-3-1793, (P) 8-19-1793, Executors Jacob and John Mohler, Cocalico Twp. L. Co. The names and number of children not given. His will recorded at Lancaster F-1-476. No wife mentioned.

Deed Book RR, p. 339 Michael Knysley and wife Barbara of Cocalico Twp. L. Co. sold a piece of land adjoining their mill to Peter Greber 5-1-1785.

Deed book T., p. 310. 4-10-1778 shows 9-10 borrowed money on his property and his wife was Barbara.

1790 census shows 9-10 was in Cocalico Twp.

P.A. in 1771 shows 9-10 owned 68 acres.

Deeds of release of heirs of Michael Knysley: Deed book TT gives following children and marriages. P. 424, 10-13-1794, p. 426, 1-16-1795; p. 428, 3-18-1795; p. 430, 3-21-1795; p. 433, 4-18-1795; p. 435, 5-20-1795.

10-51 Mary. M: Daniel Miller. Residing Pinecreek Twp. Northumberland Co. Pa. 1794.
10-52 Abraham. Cocalico Twp. L. Co. 1795.
10-53 Malli. Cocalico Twp. L. Co. 1795
10-54 Rebecca. Cocalico Twp. L. Co. 1795.
10-55 Elizabeth. M: George Hildebrand, Millwright, residing Juniata Twp. Cumberland Co. 1795.

Possibly Juniata Twp. lay adjacent to the Juniata river and was probably in the section taken off Cumberland Co. in 1789 and made into Mifflin Co. Then this part later became Juniata Co. (where the sons of 9-2 went to live). For definite information reference can be made to Miss Jessica C. Ferguson, Research Librarian, State Library, Harrisburg, Pa.

10-56 John. Blacksmith. Residing Rye Twp. Cumberland Co. 1795.

In 1820 a portion of Cumberland Co. was cut off which is known as Perry Co. It contained Rye Twp.

10-57 Anna. M: Jacob Groff. Yeoman, residing Cocalico Twp. 1795.
10-58 Barbara. M: David Bear. Yeoman, residing Earl Twp. 1795.
10-59 Susanna. M: George Kneissly.

She was deceased and he received 98 pounds in 1795, when residing Shanadoah Co., Va. Their marriage recorded in Trinity Lutheran Church, Lancaster, Pa. 8-27-1789 as George Kneisle and Susan Kneisle.

9-13 Anthony Kneisly. D: 1801.

In the Historical Society of Penn., Phila. an abstract of York Co. wills gives his will. D: 3-19-1799. (P) 3-28-1801. Exec. Thomas Black, Warrington Twp. Wife's name not given. Children as listed below.

12-49 thinks his grandfather Anthony 10-32 is the son of 9-13, as he said 10-32 lived near Warrington Twp.

It further appears that 9-13 was the son of 8-2 as he

named his first son John, his second for himself, his third and fourth for sons of 8-2. His first and third daughters correspond to daughters of 8-2.

The names grouped together on page 279 second column of 1790 census of Warrington Twp. spelled Kniceley that is—Anthony, Jo, Anthony, Michael, Abrahan are apparently Anthony 9-13 and his four oldest sons.

Abstracts of L. Co. wills at the above Society gives—Derr, John George (D) 9-11-1754 (P) 1761. Exec. Adam Hambrecht and George Honey, Hempfield Twp. (w) Mary Derr—Children—Juliana, John, Mary, Leonard, George and Anna (w) Anthony Kneissley. This Anthony probably is 9-13, as dates permit and 10-30 is Anna.

10-30 Anna. M: Jacob Shull.
10-31 John
10-32 Anthony
10-33 Eve M: Andrew Lobach.
10-34 Abraham
10-35 Michael
10-36 Jacob
10-37 Mary M: Jacob Hantz.
10-38 Samuel
10-39 George
10-40 Solomon

9-14 John Kneisly. D: 1787 M: Christiana.

His will filed in Lancaster Book E, Vol. 1, p. 448, Kneisly in index, Nislay in will. (D) May 28, 1787, (P) Aug. 1787. Executors Jacob Byers and Christian Black, Martick Twp. (w) Christiana Kneissley. Children as given below:

Orphan's court proceedings: there is a record under "John Nislay" relative to the executors account and later this record under John Knessly, Vol. 1796-1801—page 340 dated 7-29-1800. Henry Miller of Franklin Twp. Adams Co., was appointed guardian of Mary Knessly—David Knessly—Daniel Knessly—Minor children of John Knessly late of Lancaster Co.—deceased.

This record is faulty because as it stands it would signify that these three children were still under 14 years of age in 1800. When orphans are over 14 years they choose their own guardian and the court approves. The guardian was from Adams Co. Possibly they were living over there. Looks like they were born about 1780, 1782 and 1784.

Deed Book AA, page 632 dated 2-15-1779, Daniel Linder, of Little Britain Twp. and Fronica, his wife, sold to John Kneisley, of York Co., for 2,000 pounds, 8 1/2 acres with grist, saw and merchant mills, on north side of Conowingo Creek and 2 acres on south side of creek.

Deed Book AA, page 634, dated 12-5-1783, John Kneisly and wife Christina sold the mills and land to George McCullough.

1782 assessment list, Little Britian, Twp., Lancaster Co., Penna. Archives 3rd Ser. Vol. XVII (9-14) John

Kneissley 2 M.S. and 7 acres, (10-42) Michael, no land, (10-44) Christ 96 acres.

Naturally the three youngest boys were also with (9-14) in Little Britain, as they were minors. It seems that John (10-41) stayed in York Co. There were two John Kneisly in 1790 census, Warrington Twp.

It appears as though (10-42) and (10-44) went back to York Co. as the 1790 census does not have these names in Lancaster Co. (except 9-10 Michael).

It looks as if Christina was the second wife of (9-14).

10-41 John

10-42 Michael—Shows to have been in Revolution, in Company from Little Britain Twp., under Neisely, Nicely and Niesley. This shows he was 18 years or older between 1776 and 1780.

10-43 Barbara.

10-44 Christian—Shows to have been in Revolution, in Company from Little Britian Twp., under Neisely, Nicely and Niesley. This shows he was 18 years or older between 1776 and 1780.

10-45 Matilda (Martlin).

10-46 Elizabeth

10-47 Henry

10-48 Mary

10-49 Daniel

10-50 David

10-11 Samuel Kneisly. M: 2-2-1808 Ann Huber from Willow St. West Lampeter Twp. L. Co. B: 8-28-1789, D: 8-3-1823.

Will of 9-3. "I bequeath to my son Samuel that farm he now lives on, also one field adjoining John Zeigler from Weakleys in a straight line to Dixons across the bottom; also one hundred acres of mountain land from a black oak tree on the Pine Grove Road at Dicksons line to M. Edges line."

Trinity Lutheran Church, Lancaster, Pa., records marriage of Samuel Kneisle to Ann Huber 2-2-1808.

Will of Abraham Huber, West Lampeter Twp., Book J-I-294, dated 5-31-1842. (P) 9-30-1843. Wife Ann. Children: John, Levi, Elizabeth (w) Abraham Harnish, Mary (w) John Huber, Catharine (w) John Yordy. "And 1/6 to my three grandchildren, being the children of my deceased daughter Ann, namely: Levi Kneisly, Mary (w) Benjamin Huber and Elizabeth Kneisly."

12-64 states he knew the children of Abraham Huber as given and John was, locally known as "Pap Huber" and he lived one mile north of Mountville, West Hempfield Twp., died 1875, buried in Mountville cemetery. He knows his grandfather married a Huber from Willow St. who was a sister of Levi Huber.

12-64 said his father 11-50 always said his father 10-11 was not one of the executors of his fathers 9-3 will. Samuel 10-11 was not an executor of the 9-3 will. 10-11 died when 11-50 was only 12 years old and 11-50 was raised by the Hubers. 11-51, 11-52, 11-53 died in Indiana.

12-64 also states 10-11 was B: 1766, D: at the age of 64 in the month of August (that would be 1830). Probably the 1766 is in error and should be 1786 as that would correspond with the birth of his brothers and sisters, and his marriage and the birth of his children.

12-64 further states his grandfather 10-11 was the oldest of the five brothers in the will of 9-3. The will indicates the oldest to be Samuel.

In an indenture dated 11-18-1819 Samuel Kneisely of Dickenson Twp. C. Co. and Nancy his wife convey 32 acres, situated in the same Twp., to Daniel Kneisly of the same Co. for $1600.00. It was the same tract of land which Samuel inherited from his father George. In describing the tract reference is made to land of William Weakley, John Zeigler, John Dixon and Daniel Kniseley. The Daniel is 10-12. Nancy makes her mark. The name is spelled six different ways in this indenture: Kneisely, Kneisley, Kniseley, Kneiseley, Knisely and Kniesley.

13-95 secured a photostat of this indenture and a photograph of the head stone of the wife of 10-11 located in the Dunker grave yard at Huntsdale where 9-3 is buried. The inscription reads. "In memory of Ann Knisely, wife of Samuel Knisely, who died the 3rd day of August 1823, aged 33 years, 6 mo. and 10 days."

The birth of Ann 10-11 would thus be 8-28-1789. She would be 19 when married, and 29 at the birth of 11-50. When 10-11 died in 1830 she had preceeded him 7 years. This accounts for their family being raised by the Hubers. Her name appearing as Nancy in the indenture is accounted for by the fact that probably her name was Nancy Ann and she was commonly called Ann. Hence the name of Ann on her marriage record and tombstone.

12-64 recalls his father's 11-50 statement that his father 10-11 married again and had another son Daniel, but 12-64 never saw or heard of his whereabouts. Much to the surprise of 11-50 he only received about $75.00 from his father's estate between 1850 and 1860.

11-50 Levi B: 3-10-1818 D: 2-13-1890.
11-51 Hetty M: John Yody.
11-52 Elizabeth M: Rev. David Fisher.
11-53 Mary M: Abraham Benjamin Huber.
11-54 Amy Not married D: L. Co.

10-12 Daniel Kneisly. M: Christine Forree.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Lancaster, Pa., records marriage 12-16-1806 of Daniel Kneisle and Christine Forree. This marriage is further confirmed by the name of 11-11 and 11-32 and will of John Forrer under 9-3, and 12-55 stated he had a memorandum the wife of 10-12 was Christina.

Will of 9-3: "To my son Daniel, the farm he now lives on in Manheim Twp. L. Co., containing about 100 acres, valued at 5500 pounds." This farm is mentioned in L. Co. Deed Book F, Vol. 5, p. 451.

According to an indenture dated 11-18-1819 shown under 10-11, Daniel 10-12 was then living in Dickenson Twp. C. Co. near Huntsdale.

13-95 furnished the information on this family and stated 10-12 and 11-9 emigrated in 1829 to Wayne Twp., Montgomery Co., Ohio, and settled six or seven miles above John Kneisly's 10-15 place toward New Carlisle. Here they lived, and 10-12 died, leaving 11-9 in possession of the farm.

Tombstones in Woodland Cemetery, Dayton, O.: "Daniel Kneisly born in Lancaster Co., Pa. 10-19-1785. Died 11-30-1865. Aged 80 years and 11 days." "Christena, wife of Daniel Kneisly, born in Lancaster Co., Pa. 9-27-1783, died 7-23-1862, aged 78 years, 9 mos., 27 days." "John, son of Daniel and Christena Kneisly, died 2-2-1850, aged 37 years, 2 mos., 6 days." The young children of Samuel and Sarah are buried on one lot; Daniel, D: 9-11-184?; Christian, 7 mos. old; Elizabeth, 1 year, 3 mos old; another infant.

11-8 John B: 11-27-1812. D: 2-2-1850.

11-9 Daniel B: 7-25-1815. (12-64 stated 1819 and 12-55 stated 10-25-1813 and named sons 11-10 and 11-12) C. Co. D: 7-6-1906.

11-10 George W. B: 1822. D: 1900. Lived near 11-9 in Ohio.

11-11 Christian F. B: 2-13-1825. D: 4-19-1884. Buried Woodland Cemetery.

11-12 Samuel M: Sarah. Lived near 11-9 in Ohio.

11-13 Martha C. B: 1836. D: 1914.

10-13 Abraham Kneisly. M: L. Co. 2-26-1811 Susanna Graybill (Grebill). B: 5-2-1790, D: 9-26-1881. Marriage recorded in Trinity Lutheran Church. His name spelled there Kneisle.

Will of 9-3. "To my son Abraham the part of the farm I live on as far as the millrace, excepting the lot of ground east of the road leading to the mill, the south side of Yellow Breeches Creek, and 400 acres of mountain land adjoining Samuel Kneisly's mountain land, and the stills and utensils belonging." The Samuel is, no doubt, 9-1.

Levi B. 12-64 stated that he knew the widow of 10-13 and her daughter and referred to dates as shown below for both, and that they were buried in the Mennonite Churchyard on the road from Rhorerstown, one-half mile north toward Harrisburg. The inscriptions follow:

"Mother Susan, wife of Abraham Kneisley, born 5-2-1790, died 9-26-1881, aged 91 years, 4 months and 24 days."

"Father George Kneisley, born 5-18-1812, died 4-21-1882, aged 69 years, 11 mos. and 3 days."

"Father Michael Shreiner, born 6-28-1820, died 7-10-1881, aged 61 years and 13 days."

"Mother Susan, wife of Michael Shreiner, born 7-31-1820, died 7-28-1892, aged 71 years, 11 mos., 28 days."

In the H.S.P. and Abstract of L. Co. wills 1721-1820 gives apparently the will of Susanna's 10-13 mother. Susanna Grebiel (D) 7-18-1819, (P) 8-7-1819. Executor

Peter Grebiel, Manheim Twp. Children: Susanna, wife of Abraham Kneissley and Peter.

Interstate index in Register of Wills Office, Lancaster, Pa. shows Abraham Kneisly died 1822. Bond book A, p. 154 shows letters of administration were granted 3-28-1822, to Peter Grebill of Manheim Twp. and George Weiler of East Hempfield Twp. Bondsmen: Jacob Kauffman of Manheim Twp., and David Miller of East Hempfield Twp.

Deed book 5, p. 511 shows Abraham Kneisly and wife Susanna sold to Peter Grebill 1-1-1813, 24 acres which were bequeathed to Susanna by her father Peter Grebill, Sr.

Abraham took over land of his brother Daniel 4-18-1820. Deed book 17, p. 826.

Records of Orphans Court, Vol. 1833-1836, p. 66 and 102, dated 11-18-1833, and 12-17-1833, show the widow to be Susanna, and son George, and daughter Susanna, a minor.

Susanna, as given in index, died 1881. Will recorded in Book E, Vol. 2, p. 106. Executrix, Susanna Shriener.

11-14 George G. B: 5-18-1812. D: 4-21-1882. Rhorerstown, Pa. M: Eliza.

Levi B. 12-64 said 11-14 had been in Ohio and came back to Rhorerstown, and was killed at a Hotel in East Petersburg, and 12-64 attended his funeral. This appears to be the one referred to by 12-5 and 13-12 under 10-20.

Deed book P., Vol. 9, p. 157, shows George Kneisly and wife Eliza sell the land in Manheim Twp. which he had gotten from his father 4-2-1835.

Deed book I, Vol. 8, p. 624 shows 1-3-1855, George Kneisly of Oyleys Co., Ohio, and Susanna Shreiner, wife of Michael Shreiner of Manheim Twp. L. Co. received money from the estate of their grandfather George Kneisly of C. Co.

Deed book S. Vol. 11, p. 652, shows 4-3-1882 George G. Kneisly of Dayton, Ohio, legatee of Susanna Kneisly, late of Manheim Twp. L. Co. had received of Susanna Shreiner, executrix—etc.

Interstate index shows George G. Kneisly died 1882. Bond book G-2-104 shows letters of administration were granted 4-25-1882 to Peter Graybill.

11-15 Susan. B: 7-31-1820. D: 7-28-1892. M: Michael Shreiner. They had a child named John.

10-14 George Kneisly. M: Elizabeth Zeigler, B: 1799, D: 1851.

Both are interred at the little cemetery on the hill at the home place. Tombstone at Kneisly, O. "Elizabeth, wife of George Kneisly died 1851, aged 52 years, 4 mo., 3 days." This makes birth in 1799.

Information on this family furnished by Dr. Ora B. 13-95. They emigrated from Penn. to Ohio. C. A. Bohn (12-55) quotes from family bible of (10-15) "George Kneisly, brother of John Kneisly, died in Miami Co., Ohio, May 11, 1851, age 61 yrs. 7 mo. 27 days." This makes birth 9-14-1789.

Will of (9-3). "To my son George, my merchant and saw mill, also the half of the lot of ground east of the road leading to the mill and also the whole of the races leading

to the mill and all the land from the upper part of the dam as far as Samuel Kneisly's line to the mill, also from a post in the road near the mill to a stone on M. Eges line, to have all the land west of this line to Jacob Gehrs land and 400 acres of mountain land ajoining Abraham Kneisly's."

11-16 Sarah B: 1818 Carlisle, Pa. M: Dr. Elija Ely. Children: Callie, Elizabeth, Sarah Isabella, M: Joseph William Sharts, and Elija, M: Nettie Chambers.

11-17 Mary Bell. M: Downing.

11-18 David. Dead by 1930.

11-19 John. D: 1887, Osborn, O.

11-20 Amos. D: 1875 Elko, Nev.

Seven more sons.

10-15 John Kneisly. M: 3-23-1819 Dickenson Twp. C. Co. Susan Whitmore, B: 11-11-1800, C. Co. D: 11-14-1887 Dayton, Ohio. Her father Bolser Whitmore of Dickenson Twp. C. Co. D: 5-17-1823, aged about 58 years. Her mother Catharine Brassman Whitmore D: 3-17-1826, aged 55 years, 11 mo. 21 days.

These family dates were furnished by 13-95 as they appear in the family bible of 10-15.

Will of 9-3. "To my son John, the oil mill and the half of a lot of ground on the south side of Yellow Breeches Creek that is the east side, the line to run from a small white oak to a post in the road equal distance from the Merchant and Oil Mill, thence west to a post nine perches, thence by a line to a stone on M. Edges line and all that piece of ground south of the road leading to M. Edge's furnace until it intersects with Dixons and Edges lines, and the use of all the races and dams that lead to the Oil Mill, and the remainder of the mountain land south of George Kneislys. John to have the house and stable and garden that is now in the tenure of Elenor Moffit for five years, and to have all of the carding machinery in the Oil Mill."

Kneisly, Ohio, or Kneisly's Station is on the John 10-15 homestead in Green Co., near Dayton. Moved from Pa. to Ohio 1828.

11-21 George. B: 9-4-1820. D: 9-28-1828.

11-22 Daniel. B: 9-26-1822. D: 1-1-1916.

The 10-15 Bible gives "Catharine (J. or I.) died 3-4-1848, wife of Daniel Kneisly, aged 23 years, 10 days."

M: Jane Miller, M: Eliza Spangler (Nee Dice).

11-23 Catharine. B: 8-26-1824. D: 1828.

11-24 John Whitmore B: 6-16-1826. Living 1916 in Dayton, Ohio. M: Harriet Kemp. Children: Carrie and Hattie.

11-25 Benjamin Franklin. B: 4-1-1828. D: 8-5-1867, Galveston, Texas, of yellow fever.

11-26 Jacob Myers. B: 3-25-1830. D: 12-8-1861, Camp Piatt, W. Va., while honorably serving his Country. M: Adaline Huffer. Children: Oscar, John L., and a daughter.

11-27 Mary Ann. B: 2-2-1832. D: St. Louis. M: John H. Bohn.

11-28 Abraham. B: 11-4-1833. M: Sarah Stine. Children: John, and a daughter.

11-29 Susan. B: 10-1-1835. D: 2-20-1877 Dayton, Ohio. M: Temp. Troup. Children: John, Edd, Ann, Lily, Susie, Harry and Emma.
11-30 William H. B: 2-10-1837. M: Ella Marshall.
11-31 Emma Jane. B: 11-14-1839. Kneisly, Ohio. D: 5-3-1916, N. Y. City.
11-32 Samuel Forrer. B: 10-7-1845. D: 2-8-1881, East St. Louis. Son in E. St. Louis.

10-16 Catherine Kneisly. M: 1807, George Michael Swope B: 2-28-1778 on his father's farm in Lancaster Co., Pa. D: 6-6-1816. Buried in Salem Church graveyard. M: John Ruch and moved the family to Northumberland Co. where they were raised. He died 9-8-1831 age 50 yrs. 4 days.

Information on this family was furnished by 13-95. He secured it from a history of the Swope family, edited by Gilbert Swope, printed by T. B. and H. B. Cochran, Lancaster, Pa. The deaths of Catherine and John Ruch are recorded in the 10-15 family Bible and agree with the dates in the history.

11-55 Sophia Swope. B: 9-5-1809. M: Jacob R. Levan.
11-56 Adam Swope. D: at age of 21 from a fall.
11-57 George Knicely Swope. B: 5-29-1814. Educated at Kirkpatrick Academy at Milton, Pa. He learned the printing business under Henry Frick at the "Miltonian". He attained prominence as a merchant at Lewisburg, Pa. and was buried there. He died single in 1889.

10-20 John Kneisly

12-64 stated his father 10-50 was a second cousin of 11-1 and 11-2. He knew both and said 11-1 visited him May 1881 from Troy, O., and June 1885 from Bradford, O., and told him of this relationship. 13-52 knows 11-1 made several trips from Ohio to visit relatives in Pa.

12-64 stated one of the brothers of 9-3 must be the ancestor of 11-1 to give this relationship. The only possible brother is 9-2. Of 9-2's sons the only possible ancestor of 11-1 is 10-20.

The 1810 census shows 9-2 and 10-20 as the only Kneisly families in Hempfield Twp. Lancaster Co. This agrees with the birth of 11-1 in Columbia 1810 as given in family records. 10-20 lived in Manor Twp. in 1819. This agrees with the birth of 11-2 in the "Red House" between Columbia and Washington Boro. in Manor Twp. as stated by 12-17 and recorded under 11-2.

12-2 stated the father of 11-1 had 3 sons and 4 daughters. The 1810 census shows 10-20 to have 7 children. Census record is under 9-2. It is probable two of the 5 males under 10 years were sons of his sister Elizabeth 10-23 deceased. The three remaining sons (including 11-1 born 2-22-1810) and 11-2 born 1813 indicates the 12-2 statement should probably have been reversed, 4 sons and 3 daughters. That would indicate one more daughter born after 1810. 12-5 said 10-20 had three daughters.

Still it is possible that the sons of 10-23 were not

living with 10-20. Some of his children may have died young and the statement of 12-2 referred to the children as he remembered them in later years. At any rate the references and facts identify the family.

12-17 stated she had Kneisly relatives in Cumberland Co. 9-3 died in Cumberland Co. in 1816 and his descendants are probably the ones referred to. She also stated 11-2 had a cousin in Lewistown, Mifflin Co., Pa. 10-22 and 10-24 lived in Walker Twp. Juniata Co. in 1840. Juniata Co. was separated from Mifflin Co. in 1831. Children of these would be cousins of 11-2.

12-17 and 13-16 stated that the father of 11-1 and 11-2 died when they were young and his children were raised by others. 12-2 stated that it became necessary for 11-1, as a young boy, to assist in the support of the family on account of his father's death.

It appears that 11-1 named his first two children for his only living Uncles Samuel 10-22 and Abraham 10-24, and he later named a son for his father who had died, and named his second daughter for his only aunt Elizabeth 10-23. His first daughter Lidia was possibly named for his wife. John 10-20 and his sister 10-23 each had a son named Andrew.

12-64 stated, whenever 11-1 visited him, he always visited an old Myers family in Mountville. 9-3 married Mary Myers.

Deed book 21, p. 150 at Lancaster, Pa. John Kneisly of Manor Twp., son of John, late of Hempfield Twp. on April 10, 1819 sold his right in his father's estate also in his brother George's estate to Isaac F. Lightner of Columbia for $371.00.

12-2 stated the father and mother of 11-1 are buried in Stony Brook churchyard, York Co., Pa. 13-52 has a note the father of 11-1 died about 1822 but source of information is not stated. 13-12 never heard this but stated the first two wives of 11-1 are buried there.

There are two churchyards on a back road, one modern, and one old and abandoned from which graves have been removed, and few tombstones remain. No markers of these Kneislys.

Moses Stauffer, about 90 years old and very feeble in mind R.F.D. No. 7 York, in Stony Brook or Hellam, said his two aunts married 11-1.

These statements are all conceivably correct.

Tax lists 1805 for Hempfield Twp. show John 9-2 saw mill and 180 acres, and John 10-20 marked "Inmate" which means he was married and with no land but with a trade. Young men, not married, but 21 years of age or over were marked "Freemen" and paid a small tax.

It appears that 10-20 moved around considerably. A John is on the tax list for Manor Twp. in 1807 as a weaver, 1808 weaver, 1809, may have been 9-2 or 10-20, then 10-20 was in Columbia, and then back in Manor Twp. Possibly his wife was from Manor Twp.

12-5 told the story that one of 10-20 sons, when a

young man, was in a sheriff's posse searching for an outlaw who was traced to the second story of an abandoned house. As they ascended the stairs, with Kneisly leading, the outlaw struck him on the head with an axe.

13-12 thinks he was a brother of 11-1. He tells it that Kneisly was in a hotel and it was necessary for him to sleep with a stranger. When he found the man had an axe in bed with him, he reported to the manager. Several went up with Kneisly leading and when he reached the top of the stairs the man killed him with the axe.

See note under 11-14 who is a second cousin of 11-1.

The Church of God has the only cemetery in Washington Boro. Head stones for neither 9-2 or 10-20 could be found. However several are not legible.

11-1 Daniel B: 2-22-1810 Columbia, Lancaster, Pa. D: 6-13-1895 Gettysburg, O.
11-2 Andrew B: 11-15-1813 between Columbia and Washington Boro. in Manor Twp. D: 10-16-1872 Columbia, Pa.
11-3 Sarah M: Smith.
11-4 Nancy M: Hougendobler. He owned shoe store in Columbia, Pa. This information is from 12-5.
11-5 Daughter.
11-6 Son.
11-7 Son or daughter.

10-32 Anthony Kneisly. B: Cumberland Co., Pa. M: Susan Snyder York Co. and returned to Cumberland Co. History York Co., Pa.—Prowell—1907, Vol. II, p. 641, gives all of 10-32 and 11-35 families—states German origin. It states his wife was Mary Snyder and 13 children, but only records eleven.

11-35 Barnitz. B: 10-6-1809 Washington Twp. York Co., Pa. D: 11-6-1892 Red Lion, York Co. Titus H. 13-88 stated the Kneislys in Cumberland Co. are relatives of 11-35.
11-36 William.
11-37 Peter.
11-38 John.
11-39 Henry.
11-40 Susan. M: Mountz.
11-41 Mary. M: Seitz.
11-42 Betsy. M: Sutton.
11-43 Lidia. M: Sutton.
11-44 Katy. Unmarried.
11-45 Sally. M: Nickey.

10-44 Christian Knisley. D: 1836 M: Louisa Rumel.

There is a record in the First Reformed Church at Lancaster, Pa: Marriage 3-30-1801—Christian Kneissly and Louisa Rummel, Manor Twp.

In the Historical Society of Penna., Phila., Pa. There is an abstract of will: Valentine Rumel (D) 10-4-1811, (P) 1-3-1816, Executors Valentine Rumel and Jacob Wilmer, Manor Twp. Children—Valentine, Catharine (w) Conrad Kerrer, Elizabeth (w) Adam Burtzfield, Sabina (w) Philip Stech, Louisa (w) Christian Kneissly, Peter and Frederick. Grandchildren—John Rumel (son of Peter).

Deed book G, vol. 6, p. 359 Lancaster, Pa: Christian Kneisly, late of Conestoga Twp. Dated 9-5-1836. He died without a will but had some land which was sold and the heirs received their share. Children—Valentine, John, Benjamin, Elizabeth (w) George Benedict, Catharine (w) Jacob Fry. Administrators: Michael Kneisly, Benj. Harnish.

Probably (11-58) was named for his mother's father. (12-67) bears the same name. (11-58) married Elizabeth Rumel. Probably they were cousins and the families frequently visited. (12-68) same name as (11-60). (12-69) same name as (10-44). (11-58) birth corresponds to marriage date of parents.

(10-44) was in the Revolution so marriage date of 1801 is plausible. Probably the administrator Michael is (10-42) as he and his brother 10-44 were in the Revolution and were probably close friends.

11-58 Valentine B: 9-27-1802 D: 5-15-1865
11-59 John B: 2-16-1808 D: 4- 8-1865
11-60 Benjamin
11-61 Elizabeth M: George Benedict
11-62 Catharine M: Jacob Fry

11-1 Daniel Kneisly. M: Fanny Stauffer. B: 5-18-1816, York, Pa. M: Lidia Stauffer, B: York, Pa. D: 5-24-1842. M: Nancy Hoover, Tiffin, Seneca Co., Ohio. B: 11-18-1824. D: 9-11-1898, Gettysburg, Ohio.

He is buried in Oakland churchyard, N.W. of Gettysburg, Dark Co., Ohio, 1/2 mile S.E. of Abraham's 12-2 farm. He was a member of the River Brethern Church. The name was later changed to Brethern of Christ. These are branches of the Dunkard Church. He moved from York, Pa. to near Tiffin, Ohio about 1845.

He moved to Hancock Co.; then to N.W. of Covington, Ohio; then to Shannon, Ill; then to south of Troy, Ohio, near to the Peters Nursery; then to N.W. of Bradford, Ohio, where he died at the home of his daughter Sallie at Gettysburg, Ohio. He followed the occupation of a farmer.

Nancy Hoover died at the home of her daughter Sallie in Gettysburg, O. and she is buried in Oakland Churchyard. Her mother belonged to the United Brethern Church.

12-1 Samuel. B: 8-20-1838. Charles 13-16 states Samuel died before 12-2 was born.
12-2 Abraham. B: 5-18-1842, York, Pa. D: 12-19-1919, Bradford, O.
12-3 Lidia B: 12-9-1846 D: 1-5-1882
12-4 Elizabeth B: 11-27-1848 D: An infant.
12-5 David B: 3-2-1850
12-6 Leah B: 5-9-1852 D: 9-2-1928, Covington, O.
12-7 Daniel H. B: 8-27-1853 D: 6-4-1930, Gettysburg.
12-8 Nannie B: 3-22-1855
12-9 John B: 3-19-1857
12-10 Frances B: 10-12-1858 D: 5-15:1861
12-11 Andrew B: 5-12-1861
12-12 Sallie B: 2-20-1863

11-2 Andrew Kneisly. M: 10-1-1835 Margaret Fordney. B: 4-4-1813 Lancaster, Pa. D: 5-27-1894, Columbia, Pa. 8 Issue.

He was born two miles below Columbia, Pa., on the road to Washington Borough in the "Red House", a frame house built before the time of brick houses. This stated by 12-17.

His tombstone in Bethel Cemetery, Columbia, Pa., has the inscription "Father Andrew Kneisly born November 15, 1813, died October 16, 1872, aged 58 years, 11 mos. and 1 day. Our father here lies under ground, the dearest friend we ever found, but through the Lord's unbounded love we'll meet again in realms above." His wife's tombstone in the same cemetery has the inscription "Mother Margaret Fordney, wife of Andrew Kneisly, born April 4, 1813, died May 27, 1894." In the same cemetery are the tombstones of Benjamin F. and William H.

Will of Margaret (11-2) K-2-581 shows all household goods to her daughters Anna and Emma A., and to her daughter Margaret, wife of Amos Hougendobler, what she had already given her she must take as her share.

Andrew was a car inspector on the Pa. R.R. He had his two legs cut off in the morning and died at 4 P.M. A clipping from the newspaper states "He was one of the most exemplary men in Columbia, quiet, unassuming and honest. He attended to his duties to the best of his ability. He belonged to the Methodist Church and was a thorough christian. The company which employed him will lose one of the best and most efficient workman, and it will be with difficulty that the position which he held will be filled."

Anna and Emily had a notion store at the corner of Third and Cherry Streets, Columbia, Pa. Harry L. (13-52) called on Emily in 1927. She was living with Margaret 13-70 Hougendobler at 20 N. 2nd St., Columbia, Pa. Emily had a very clear mind and was a very interesting old lady of 85 years. She said she often heard her father joke about Daniel going to Stauffer to get a third wife and they chased him away. She had Andrew's (11-2) Bible.

Notes on the "Red House". Briefed by 13-52 from visit to the site and from seventeen letters.
(1) William C. Kise, Washington Borough, L. Co. Pa.
(2) J. P. Gauff, Real Estate Agent, Pa. R.R., Phila. Pa.
(3) Miss Lottie M. Bausman, Genealogist, Lancaster, Pa.

(1.) Samuel Schultz, an old resident of Washington Borough (about 79 years old) gave a description of the location, which agreed with that given by Catharine Kauffman ("Old Aunt Cassy") who lived in that section 76 years. She said the owner was Adam Hess. She designated where the house stood at the "Red House Crossing". It was against the hill and the property extended to the river, but the house was torn down when the Columbia and Port Deposit R.R. was constructed. She showed where the spring, summer house and apple orchard were located. The site was 210 feet south of the Manor Tower of the R.R. Co.

(2.) The property is that purchased by the Columbia and Port Deposit R.R. from Adam Hess 10-22-1869, Deed book X, vol. 9, page 414. The R.R. acquired two properties from Adam Hess which extended from the river across the R.R. in an easterly direction and these were divided by a strip owned by Mary Catharine Kauffman, from whom the Pa. R.R. acquired a portion there of 6-7-1906, Book W, 19-181. All of these properties were at or near one of the old crossings of the abandoned road.

The R.R. Co. does not have an abstract of the property from Hess. They have an abstract of the Kaufman property. It begins with a deed from Thomas Boude to George Ludwick and Jacob Sherrick 3-10-1810, Book 4, page 25, which conveyed a tract of 14 1/2 acres, of which the Hess and Kaufman properties were portions. This was part of a 166 acre tract which Nathaniel Barber, Administrator for Estate of Philip Gallaher, 10-19-1807, pursuant to an order of Orphans Court 8-19-1807 conveyed unto Thomas Boude.

Supplemental information: Nearby lands acquired. Will of Jacob Strickler 4-26-1847, probated 1-12-1848, Will book U, vol. 1, p. 469, he gives to his son Cyrus the plantation called "Rohrer Place" in Manor Twp., bought from Ephraim Rohrer, 179 3/4 acres, "also the field of 25 acres adjoining, which formerly belonged to Kneisly."

(3.) The Court House records do not show a Kneisly owning property in that section at the time in question. Adam Hess property, a house and a little land in Manor Twp. that ran down to the river, was owned by Andrew Bowers in 1859, by Henry Leanick, Sr. in 1856, then some kind of a tangle, and John B. Amevake had it in 1854. "Back of that I could not get."

Deed book 7, page 470, deed dated 4-18-1811, George Ludwick and Jacob Sherrick sold one acre of the 14 1/2 acre tract to Conrad Will. In 1812 Conrad Will sold this lot with house to McLean, no description in deed. The lot adjoined Isaac Kauffman on one side, Chris Mosser on the other, and one side on the river, the other side adjoined lot No. 4. This seems to be the lot with the Red House.

Regarding the Jacob Strickler will. Samuel and wife Catharine sold to Amos H. Slaymaker a lot in Columbia, which Kneisly bought of Jacob Strickler 2-10-1815. This of course is not the 25 acres tract.

12-15 David Fordney B: 9-29-1836. D: 5-4-1840.

12-16 Anna Elizabeth B: 4-10-1840. D: 12-2-1925. Spinster. Lived in Columbia, Pa.

12-17 Emily Agnes B: 1-28-1842. Spinster. Living in Columbia, Pa.

12-18 Samuel B: 4-4-1844. D: 4-4-1844.

12-19 Margaret B: 6-27-1845. D: 2-13-1927. Columbia, Pa.

12-20 Benjamin Franklin B: 2-24-1848. D: 11-13-1855. Columbia, Pa.

12-21 Barbara B: 3-14-1850. D: 9-2-1850.

12-22 William H. B: 9-19-1831. D: 7-17-1870. Columbia, Pa.

11-3 Sarah Kneisly. She was the youngest daughter. M: Smith. Children: 3 sons, and one daughter. Lived at Forest Station, Pa.

11-9 Daniel Kneisly. M: Catharine Houser.

Dr. Ora B., grandson of 11-25, and Levi B. 12-64, state he is the one who visited Levi B. in 1882 as mentioned previously.

Dr. Ora B. refers to him as "Black Daniel". He was tall with black hair, heavy beard, while his father was of fair complexion with dark brown hair. Thus the term was applied as a matter of distinction.

He lived on a farm above the old John Kneisly Station, near the valley pike. Quite a number of his grandchildren live in and around Dayton, O.

12-29 Cathryn B: 1836 D: 1914 M: Isaac Shaffer. Children: Harvey, John, Alice, Emma and Frank.
12-30 Christiana B: 1838. D: 1847.
12-31 Harry B: 1840. D: 1900. M: Susan Sloan. Children: Charles (dead 1930), Maude, Sylvia and Roy (dead).
12-32 Daniel B: 1841. D: 1904. Single.
12-33 John B: 1843. D: 1924. M: Mellie Reiling. Children: Ira R., Postmaster, Osborn, O.; John O., Orva E. Res. Osborn, O.
12-34 Aaron. B: 1846. D: 1882. M: Martha Shaffer. No children.
12-35 George B: 1848. D: 1861. Single.
12-36 Laura B: 1850. D: 1893. M: David McConnaughey. Children: Myrta B., James M. and Clyde K. residence 140 N. Sunset Ave., Dayton, O.

11-25 Benjamin Franklin Kneisly. M: 3-24-1851 Mary, the daughter of Christian and Anna Kauffman, Res. Valley pike, three miles east of Kneisly Station, O. She died 8-31-1880, Dayton, O. and was buried at Medway, O. aged 48-9-29.

11-25 was commissioned Captain of State militia by Gov. Todd of Ohio and transferred to Federal service and sent to Galveston, Tex. in the Quartermasters Dept. He died in the service during the yellow fever epidemic of 1867 on Aug. 5 and was buried in Galveston. His commission, sword and Masonic apron are in the possession of 12-58.

12-58 John Adams B: 12-17-1851, Kneisly Station, Ohio.
12-59 Susan B: 1-26-1859. M: 1871 Franklin Sheppard. Children: John Louis B: 10-16-1872, D: 1890; Leo Francis B: 1877, D: 1878; Effie B: 1873. M: Jacob Kissinger. Res. San Diego, Cal.

11-31 Emma Jane Kneisly. M: 1864, Kneisly, Ohio, Ahiman Valentine Bohn. B: 11-13-1835 Massilon, O. D: 3-4-1914 Los Angeles, Cal. Maj. 15th Ill. Inf. U. S. V. 1861-64.

12-53 Arthur K. B: 1865. D: 1908.
12-54 John V. B: 1865. D: 1910.
12-55 Charles A. B: 5-1-1870, St. Louis, Mo. M: 2-6-1899 Leadville, Colo. Edna G. Davis. Mining Engineer, employed by American Smelting and Refining Co., 120 Broadway, N. Y. City. Res. 34 Clinton Road, Glen Ridge, N. J.

11-35 Barnitz Knisely. M: Sarah (Sally) Sechrist, 2-12-1831 Windsor Twp., York Co. Pa. B: 1-7-1811, D: 9-5-1850 Red Lion, York Co. Pa. M: Mary Oberdorff, 2-11-1851 Windsor Twp. B: 1-10-1827.

Copied from family record in possession of David (12-49) living two miles from Red Lion, Pa. Part of this secured from letter of T. H. Knisely 5-20-1924, coal dealer, Red Lion, Pa., and from visit of (13-52) with him and David (12-49) 9-17-1927.

At Bethlehem Cemetery near Red Lion are the following tombstones:

Barnitz Knisely born Oct. 6, 1809, died Nov. 6, 1892, aged 83 years 1 month.

In memory of Sarah, wife of Barnitz Knisely, died Sept. 5, 1850, aged 59 years 7 months 27 days.

Mary, daughter of Barnitz and Sarah Knisely, died Feb. 15, 1846, aged 7 years 11 months 8 days.

Daniel, son of Barnitz and Sarah Knisely, died Aug. 14, 1844, aged 1 year and 6 days.

Barnitz, son of Barnitz and Sarah Knisely, died Jan. 21, 1894, aged 23 days.

Infant daughter born 6-27-1893, infant son born 10-15-1897, children of J. F. (12-51) and Agnes Knisley.

Pius, son of Henry (12-38) and Mary Knisely, died 1-11-1874, aged 1 month 27 days.

Wiley, son of Henry and Mary Knisely, died 6-25-1875, aged 25 days.

Ivan M., son of George (12-46) and Elizabeth Knisely, born 2-8-1878, died 12-16-1888.

Lyman Sylvester, son of George and Elizabeth Knisely, died 2-27-1877, aged 3 years 9 months 25 days.

Joseph (12-43) Knisely 11-15-1841—1-22-1922, Sarah Knisely 7-24-1852—6-7-1892.

Jennie Rebecca, daughter of Charles and Ida M. Knisley, born 3-11-1901, died 4-4-1903.

Sophia Knisely 12-7-1861—1-30-1924.

Ira C., son of J. C. and Annie A. Knisely, died 5-19-1901, aged 1 year 13 days.

In Union, Emanuel, Lutheran and Reformed Cemetery at Freysville near Red Lion are tombstones:

William (12-39) Knisely born 6-15-1834, died 6-9-1903, Sarah, his wife, born 9-12-1832, died 2-27-1927.

Jacob W. Knisely (dates blank—He is son of William), Frances A. Knisely died 8-21-1913, aged 50 years 7 months 29 days.

Jacob (12-42) Knisely died 4-18-1915, aged 75 years 3 months. Sarah Knisely died 5-10-1924, aged 87 years 4 months 15 days.

Reference: Memorials of the Huguenots in America, by Rev. A. Stapleton. 1901 Published by Huguenot Pub. Co., Carlisle, Pa. p. 128.

Barnitz.—The history of this family, both in France and America, has been an honorable one. One branch is of noble rank and has given many distinguished names to French history. The date of the arrival of the Barnitz family in Penna. is uncertain, as there is no record of them in the archives. The earliest appearance of the name is in the record of Rev. J. C. Stoever, of baptisms on the Conewingo.

1738 John Leonard Barnitz, whom we take to have been the head of the family, stood as baptismal sponsor, and several times thereafter. In 1739, John George Carl Barnitz, and in 1741 Elias Daniel Barnitz appear as sponsors in the same locality. The Barnitz family came from Alsace, and in our opinion arrived in 1737, in company with other Alsatians with whom we find their names associated.

Of the foregoing, John George Barnitz was born in 1722, and died 1796. His monument may be seen in the rear of Christ Lutheran Church, in York. His sons all became men of prominence, and several took a prominent part in the Revolution. Jacob was an officer in the war, and was severely wounded and taken prisoner by the British at Fort Washington in 1776. He became a man of great prominence and died in 1828. His son Jacob was an eminent lawyer and a member of the twenty-third congress.

Children of first wife:

12-37. John. B: 1-5-1832. M: Whitmeyers 2-26-1857. He went to Michigan. He had George who died several years before 1924 (Had his second wife), and Harry (Living and married), and Ellen who died before of age.

12-38 Henry S. B: 1-11-1833. D: (about) 1904. M: Mary Dehoff 11-15-1860. Mary died about 1914 in Windsor Twp. They had one daughter who died before 1904.

12-39 William B: 6-15-1834. D: 6-9-1903 Red Lion, Windsor Twp., York Co. Pa.

12-40 Sussanna B: 5-27-1836. Dead. M: John Stabley in Windsor Twp. (Dead). Had Ellen, Ida, Elizabeth (Dead), Adam (Dead 30 some years).

12-41 Mary Jane. B: 3-7-1838. D: 2-15-1846 Red Lion, York Co., Pa.

12-42 Jacob S. B: 1-18-1840 D: 4-18-1915 Red Lion, York Co. Pa.

12-43 Joseph. B: 11-15-1841 D: 1-22-1922 Red Lion, York Co. Pa.

12-44 Daniel. B: 8-8-1843 D: 8-14-1844 Red Lion, York Co. Pa.

12-45 Samuel. B: 12-13-1844 D: 1920. M: Mary Neff 1874. Lived at Red Lion. Had Howard, James, Lillian and Ester. All are married.

12-46 George. B: 1-30-1847. D: 1920. M: Elizabeth Brillhart 5-2-1868. Had one son and two daughters. One son is dead. They are in Ohio.

12-47 Barnitz. B: 12-29-1848. D: 1-21-1849 Red Lion, York Co. Pa.

Children of second wife.

12-48 Lidia. B: 4-23-1852 M: Wesley Raub, Windsor Twp. 1871. Had Grant, Bert, Henry, Wallace and another son and daughter.

12-49 David. B: 11-19-1855 Windsor Twp. York Co. Pa. M: Sophie Fitzkee 2-3-1887. D: 2-2-1924. Had Rossy B: 8-2-1888 (M: J. L. Neff), and Anthony Barnitz B: 7-16-1892 M: Elsie Raab.

12-50 Leah. B: 3-15-1859 M: Jacob Flinchbaugh 1888. Had no children.

12-51 James Frank, B: 11-16-1861. M: Agnes Flinchbaugh. Had William and Bert. Both are married.

12-52 Alice Mauda (or Amanda). B: 8-17-1864. M: William Smith 8- -1881. Had Lawrence, Walter and two daughters. All are married.

11-50 Levi Kneisly. M: Elizabeth Houghentogler. D: 1856 or 1857. M: Annie Buffenmyers. His will recorded at Lancaster, Pa., Book I, vol. 2, page 212.

12-61 Joseph (10-20-24 living in Hagherstown, Maryland).
12-62 Annie. Not married. Was 79 years old in 1924, living with 12-64. She was of unsound mind as result of scarlet fever.
12-63 Two who died young.
12-64 Levi B. B: 6-23-1864. Lancaster Co. Pa.
12-65 John. B: 8-25-1868. D: 2-22-1900.

11-58 Valentine Knisley. M: Elizabeth Rumel B: 9-5-1801 D: 1-2-1861.

At East Prospect Cemetery, Lower Windsor Twp., York Co., Pa., are the following tombstones:

Valentine Knisley, born Sept. 27, 1802, died May 15, 1865, aged 62 years, 7 months, 18 days. "Our father has gone to a mansion of rest from a region of sorrow and pain to the glorious land by the Deity blest where he never can suffer again."

Elizabeth, wife of Valentine Knisley, born Sept. 5, 1801, died Jan. 2, 1861, aged 59 years, 3 months, 2 days.

12-67 Valentine B: 9-15-1842 D: 7-18-1909.
12-68 Benjamin

Maryann, wife of Benjamin Kniseley, died Mar. 23, 1882, aged 39 years, 3 months, 9 days.

Verge M. died Aug. 26, 1869, aged 3 months, 5 days.

Charles W. died Nov. 16, 1873, aged 5 months, 1 day.

Samuel H. died Feb. 5, 1881, aged 3 years, 10 months, 12 days.

John G. died Nov. 29, 1885, aged 15 years, 3 months, 2 days.

Albert died April 5, 1885, aged 20 years, 7 months, 29 days.

Children of Benjamin and Maryann Kniseley.

12-69 Christian.
12-70 Mary M: Gohn
12-71 Nancy M: Garratt
12-72 Barbria M: Barnes

11-59 John Knisley. M: Maria B: 5-12-1815 D: 9-26-1862.

At East Prospect Cemetery, Lower Windsor Twp., York Co., Pa. are the following tombstones:

John Knisley born 2-16-1808, died 4-8-1865, aged 57 years, 1 month, 22 days. "Our father has gone to a mansion of rest from a region of sorrow and pain to the glorious land by the Deity blest where he can never suffer again."

Maria, wife of John Kneislei, died 9-26-1862, aged 47 years, 4 months, 14 days.

Aaron Knisely, member of Co. A 21st Regt. Pa. Cav., born 5-28-1846, wounded and died at Emilie Courthouse, Va., 4-11-1865, aged 18 years, 10 months, 13 days.

Maria Kneislie, zum andenken (English—to think of, in remembrance of) von Maria Kneislie, tochter von Maria

Kneislie and John, geboren Aug. den 20, 1844, Starb June den 19, 1846, alt 1 jahr, 9 M.U. 30 T.

James Knisley born 11-10-1851, died 3-24-1863, aged 31 years, 4 months, 14 days (error either in age or dates).

Note the four different spellings of the name on this one family burial lot; Father Knisley, wife Kneislei, son Knisely, daughter Kneislie.

12-75 John B. B: 1-20-1838 D: 6-16-1904.
12-76 Maria B: 8-20-1844 D: 6-19-1846.
12-77 Aaron B: 5-28-1846 D: 4-11-1865.
12-78 James B: 11-10-1851 D: 3-24-1863.
12-79 Ruben M: Annie Rider Res: Martinsville
12-80 William Dead. M: Elizabeth McGuigan Res: Red Lion, Pa.

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12-2 Abraham Kneisly. M: 11-2-1865, Gettysburg, O. Susan Etter. B: 3-19-1847 York, Pa. D: 4-6-1906 Bradford, O.

When he was six days old his Aunt Margaret Stauffer raised him until he was three years old. He was a 90 day man in the war of 1861-64. She came to Ohio with her parents and younger brother in 1850. They had lived near Hanover, York Co., Pa. Her father, Jacob Etter, B: 1-16-1822 York, Pa. Her mother Maria Boyer B: 9-5-1825 York, Pa.

Abraham and Susanna lived at five places during their married life, the first and last being the same. That was the Etter homestead. Jacob Etter built the house. Abraham bought the place after Jacob died. After Abraham died Sam, Anna, Lula and Dan bought the place R.R. No. 1, Bradford, Ohio.

13-10 John H. B: 9-16-1866 Gettysburg, O.
13-11 Sam. B: 1-17-1870 Bradford O.
13-12 William A. B: 2-15-1873 Bradford, O.
13-13 Emma. B: 2-2-1875 Covington, O.
13-14 Ora. B: 10-12-1878 Covington, O. D: 12-31-1878.
13-15 Laura. B: 10-12-1878 Covington, O. D: 9-2-1880 Stelvideo, O.
13-16 Charles E. B: 12-2-1880 Beamsville, (Stelvideo in other note). Darke Co. O.
13-17 Anna. B: 9-2-1884 Gettysburg, O.
13-18 Lula. B: 10-19-1887 Gettysburg, O.
13-19 Dan C. B: 12-28-1890 Gettysburg, O.

12-3 Lidia Kneisly. M: B. Frank Boggs.

13-22 Della. M: Will Fell.
13-23 Charles.
13-24 Frank.
13-25 Sherman.
13-26 Elsworth.
13-27 Orren C.

12-5 David Kniesly. M: 9-8-1870 Elizabeth Huntsbarger. B: 8-30-1849. D: 5-3-1928. Member of same faith as his father. He was a farmer, Route No. 1, Clayton, Montgomery Co. O. 1931 he was living with 13-38.

13-30 Ida May. B: 3-6-1872. D: 1889.
13-31 Della. B: 9-7-1873.
13-32 Charles. B: 3-24-1876.

13-33 Anna E. B: 7-16-1878. D: 1880.
13-34 Emma F. B: 7-11-1880. D: 1888.
13-35 Florence. B: 3-23-1882.
13-36 Edward. B: 6-10-1884. M: 12-24-1910 Maud Putterbaugh. B: 1-14-1890. Res. R.R. No. 6 Arcanum, Ohio.
13-37 Jessie. B: 3-20-1886. M: 5-29-1908 Ethel Anderson. Res. 212 West McPherson St., Dayton, Ohio.
13-38 Elsie B: 6-5-1888.
13-39 Mazy B: 6-15-1891.
13-40 Herman B: 3-7-1894 D: 1894.

12-6 Leah Kneisly. M: Joseph Maurer. Residence Covington, Miami Co. O.
13-42 John. M: Mary Stover.
13-44 Earl. M: 1916 Mae Beard. Res. Bradford, Ohio.
13-45 Pearl. M: Adnah Miller.
13-46 Daniel. B: 10-21-1886. M: 7-8-1908 Verna Hardman. Res. W. Milton, O.
13-47 Ora. M: 12-19-1914 Cleo Sipple. Res. 427 N. Pearl St., Covington, O.

12-7 Daniel H. Kneisly. M: 6-19-1879 Mary Eliza Mitchell, B: 9-29-1853. D: 7-9-1894 Troy, O. The name is spelled Kniesly on the tombstones of Mary Eliza and Paul in the Piqua, O. cemetery. He is buried in Troy, O. He was Doctor of Medicine.
13-50 Baby. B: 1-22-1880. D: 2-3-1880.
13-51 Eva May. B: 2-26-1883.
13-52 Harry Loren. B: 2-5-1888.
13-53 Grace Gertrude. B: 4-17-1890 Chicago, Ill. M: Charles Babb, Troy, O. She divorced him. M: 4-18-1928 Columbus, O. Frank M. Creighton. B: 8-4-1869 near Barnsville, Belmont Co. O.
13-54 Paul B: 1891. D: 1894.

12-8 Nannie Kneisly. M: Milton Diltz. B: 1-4-1854. He was a Building Contractor. Residence Troy, O.
13-55 Pearl. B: 7-15-1877.
13-56 Edith. B: 5-8-1893. M: 1931 Francis Smoothy. Residing 406 Hudson St., Newark, Ohio.

12-9 John Kneisly. M: Emma Zigler. He lived on a farm near Gettysburg, O.
13-57 Will. B: 3-27-1882. Res. Red Cliff, Alberta, Canada.
13-58 George. B: 2-2-1885.
13-59 Dan. B: 3-17-1886.
13-60 Forest. B: 9-30-1887. Res. Red Cliff, Alberta Canada.
13-61 Walter. Killed by train when a young man.
13-62 Mary. B: 1-9-1890.
13-63 Ruth. B: 5-4-1894.
13-64 May. B: 9-2-1896.

12-11 Andrew Kneisly. M: Loretta Syler. D: 1901. M: Josie Miller. No issue by latter. 1931 Residing 3658 W. Othello St. Seattle, Wash.
13-66 Ethel Loretta. M: Lowel K. Bain. In 1931 residing No. 734 60th St. Oakland Cal. Four issue. He is employed with the Telephone Co.

12-12 Sallie Kneisly. M: Israel Miller. He was killed in a railroad crossing accident. He was an undertaker and furniture dealer at Gettysburg, O. They belong to Progressive Dunkard faith, a branch of the Dunkard faith.

13-67 Ralph. M: 5-28-1924 Mabel Norris (Richard B: 1-15-1929) He and Earl Eshleman are carrying on his father's business.

12-19 Margaret Kneisly. M: Amos R. Hougendobler. B: 1843. D: 1919. They lived in Columbia, Pa. Tombstone in Bethel cemetery. Columbia. "Hougendobler, Mother Margaret 1845— Father Amos R. Hougendobler 1843-1919 Co. K 5th P. R. V. C."

13-68 Anna.
13-69 Catharine.
13-70 Margaret. 20 N. 2nd St., Columbia, Pa., 1930.
13-71 Emily.
13-72 Ella.
13-73 Mary.
13-74 Harry.
13-75 Will.
13-76 Charles.
13-77 John Andrew.

12-39 William Knisely. M: Sarah Spotz 9-4-1856.

13-80 Lovina. M: Wesley Landis. They had Harry and Charles.
13-81 Jane. M: Samuel Smith. Died about 1921. They had several children.
13-82 Ellen. M: John Dunlap. He was an Evangelical Preacher, then was Presiding Elder and then Bishop.
13-83 Jacob. His first wife, Frances, has died. He married the second time. He had two sons and two daughters and possibly more.
13-84 Lydian. M: Edward Shuemaker. They had two children.
13-85 Reuben. They had four children.

12-42 Jacob S. Knisely. M: Sarah Shmuck 1864. D: 5-10-1924.

13-86 Ellen. M: Samuel Ferree. D: About 1920. Aged 54. No children.
13-87 Agnes. M: Frank Bicking. He died about 1894. They had two girls, the first died an infant, the second is living and single.
13-88 Titus H. B: 1872, M: Malinda Finchbaugh. One son Emory S. B: Red Lion (30 years old), who has three children.
13-89 Jacob, Jr. M. Sallie Cooper. They had one daughter who is married, and one daughter who is 7 years old (A twin), the other twin is dead.

12-43 Joseph Knisely. M: Sarah (or Mary) Stauffer 2- -1869. She came from near Hellam, Pa. They had two daughters and one son. M: Sarah Kohler. They had one son and one daughter. She died about 1920.

12-58 John Kneisly. M: 12-25-1876 Emma J., daughter of Soloman and Mary Beyl. Res. Valley pike, about one mile east of Kneisly Station, Ohio. Soloman Beyl, 1861, 110 Ohio Vol. Inf., Aaron Spangler Capt., Gen. Warren Keiffer.

12-58 lived the greater part of his life in Osborn, O. where he was Postmaster for about twenty years. He moved to Dayton, O. in 1913 where he became connected with the Finance Dept. of the City Govt., in which capacity he is serving at the age of 80 years.

His wife Emma died at Dayton 7-22-1929 aged 73 years and was buried at Fairfield, Ohio.

Further record of 12-58 will be found on page 719 Chapman Biography of Clark and Green Counties of Ohio, in libraries at Xenia and Springfield, O.

13-95 Dr. Ora Beyl. B: 7-23-1878.

12-64 Levi B. Kneisly. M: Susan Eshleman 8-3-1890. They live on his Father's farm near where 12-64 was born, close to Mountville, Lancaster Co., Pa. on the Reading R.R. at Hempfield station, Route No. 8, Lancaster. He is a member of the Church of God. Most of his children and his wife are members of the Dunkard Church. He has a 40 acre farm with excellent buildings and very well kept up. One daughter teaches school. One son is a farmer. Another son works in Columbia.

13-101 Adaline Irene B: 1-26-1892.

13-102 Isaac E. B: 2-1-1893. M: 6-26-1919 Bertha Hambright. Children: Gladys Marie B: 5-1-1921, Mariam Elizabeth B: 2-20-1931.

13-103 Fannie May B: 10-26-1894.

13-104 Levi Grant B: 6-30-1896. M: 12-13-1924. Amy Thomas. Children: Melvin Thomas B: 8-4-1930

13-105 Annie Laura B: 10-2-1902. M: 12-2-1922. J. Earl Brubaker. Children: Jay Wilber B: 7-17-1924, Alvin Henry B: 1-5-1927, Ethel Marie B: 10-5-1928.

12-67 Valentine Knisley, M: Christinna Jacobs.

At East Prospect Cemetery, Lower Windsor Twp., York Co., Pa., are the following tombstones:

Christinna Knisley died Jan. 29, 1924, aged 77 years, 7 months, 27 days—Mary E., Annie L., John W., Harry E., infant children of Valentine and Christinna Knisley.

Elsie M. Knisley died Mar. 26, 1908, aged 17 years, 11 months, 29 days.

Valentine Knisley died July 18, 1909, aged 66 years, 10 months, 3 days.

13-108 George B: 12-22-1877 E. Prospect M: Alice Siler. (He escorted 13-52 through the graveyard).

13-109 Alice. M: J. D. Burg. Residence—East Prospect.

13-110 Emma. M: John Whaner. Residence—Wrightsville, Hellam Twp., York Co.

13-111 Clara M. E. Prospect tombstone; "Clara M., wife of James Yeager, died March 11, 1920, aged 36 years, 25 days."

13-112 William A. M: Merva Gilbert—Son Harry in South Dakota. Buried in East Prospect Cemetery—Died June 30, 1898, aged 23 years, 9 months, 8 days.

12-69 **Christian Knisley** M: Elizabeth Hively.

13-113 William H., R.F.D. No. 1 Wrightsville. He works at silk mill. He is the uncle of J. Carl Knisley, piano teacher, Wrightsville, Pa. Buried in E. Prospect Cemetery. Family tombstone: "Knisley—Wm. H. Knisley—Emma J. Knisley—Grace A. Knisley 5-20-1893, 11-3-1919, Minerva P. Knisley 1896-1916, Wm. M. Knisley 1902-1902, Mervin C. Knisley 1905-1906."

13-114 Sam.

One son and daughter are dead.

12-75 **John B. Knisley.** M: Magdalena Snell B: 1-23-1837 D: 11-27-1898; Buried at East Prospect Cemetery: "John B. Knisley died 6-16-1904, aged 66 years, 4 months, 27 days. Co. A 21st Regt. Pa. Cavalry."

Magdalena Knisley died 11-27-1898, aged 61 years, 10 months, 4 days.

13-115 Lida. M: W. A. Ferree. Res. East Prospect. Have butcher shop.

13-116 Anna. M: Crumbling. Res. Wrightsville.

13-117 Benjamin Franklin. M: Mary Woodmouse. Res. East Prospect.

13-118 John W. M: Ella Leik. Res. Windsor.

13-119 Mary Elizabeth—E. Prospect tombstone: "Mary Elizabeth, daughter of John B. and Magdalena Knisley, died 4-1-1861, aged 3 years, 2 days."

13-10 **John H. Kneisly.** M: 4-9-1893 Bradford, O. (Gettysburg in another note), Flora Martin, B: 6-19-1872, Horatio, Dark Co., O. His address is Gettysburg, Ohio. With the exception of a few winters he taught school since he was 19 years old. His son Willis taught some, and was also in France in the World War.

14-1 Willis. B: 12-12-1893 Horatio, O. M: Doris Smith 1917, Parkersburg, W. Va.

14-2 Esther. B: 1-3-1897 Gettysburg, O.

14-3 Glenn. B: 4-18-1899 Gettysburg, O. D: 10-2-1907.

14-4 Elno. B: 11-30-1901 Gettysburg, O. M: Frank Montague, Res. 949 Burlington Ave., Detroit, Mich.

14-5 Frances B: 11-3-1904 Gettysburg O. M: Jesse Jones. Res. 620 N. 17th St. Milwaukee, Wis.

14-6 Harold B: 9-7-1908 Gettysburg, O.

14-7 Robert B: 2-9-1911 Gettysburg, O.

13-12 **Will A. Kneisly.** M: 2-1-1900, Dallas Center, Dallas Co., Ia. Susan Nissly, B: 2-24-1878 Dallas Center. He lives about one mile from Silver Spring, Route No. 8, Lancaster, Pa. Marietta Ave. out of Lancaster, distance of six miles on Marietta road. He lived in Dallas Center in 1924. He has 11-1 Bible. He is a farmer and Minister in the old order of River Brethern Church. He has 100 acre farm with excellant buildings and also his farm in Iowa. Wife and three older children are members of the same church.

His wife's father Martin M. Nissly, B: 9-29-1848, Silver Spring, L. Co., Pa. and wife Mary Connely, B: Manheim, L. Co., Pa. went to Dallas Center April 1877.

He became Bishop of the old order of River Brethern Church at that place and died 9-23-1904.

Susan Nissly 13-12 is a descendant of the Nisslys who emigrated to America in 1717 as mentioned previously.

14-18 Abraham N. B: 8-20-1905 Dallas Center, Ia.
14-19 Lydia. B: 5-27-1907 Dallas Center, Ia.
14-20 Mirian B: 9-24-1908 Dallas Center, Ia.
14-21 Mary Naomi B: 9-25-1910 Dallas Center, Ia.

13-13 Emma Kneisly. M: 3-26-1908, Horatio (Bradford in another note), Dark Co., O. George M. Beshore, B: 3-4-1866 Goldsboro, York Co., Pa. 6-17-24 address Route No. 1 Bradford, O. His father, John B: 1-3-1841 York, Pa. His mother, Sarah Miller, B: 7-4-1838 Yocumtown, York Co., Pa. He is a farmer. With the exception of the first four years of his life, he was brought up in Lancaster Co., Pa. His mother died when he was two years old. His stepmother died Feb. 1923. His father was living 1924 near Columbia, L. Co., Pa. Though he was past 83 years old, he was in good health.

14-24 Emma. B: 1-13-1909 Gettysburg, O.
14-25 Christian. B: 9-17-1910 Gettysburg, O.
14-26 Abraham. B: 5-9-1912 Gettysburg, O.

13-16 Charles E. Kneisly. M: 2-3-1907 Gettysburg, O. Marie Bong, B: 2-28-1883, Versailles, Shelby Co., O. He is Postmaster, Bradford, O. Her father Henry Bong, B: Ober Dorla, Muhlhausen, Thuring, Germany 6-2-1850. Her mother Mary E. Georke B: 8-23-1853, Ober Dorla. They emigrated to America in 1882.

14-29 Chalmer. B: 5-29-1907 Johnstown, Pa.
14-30 Clarence. B: 11-30-1908, Bradford, O. D: 12-20-1908.
14-31 Vaughn. B: 9-29-1912 Bradford, O.

13-19 Daniel C. Kneisly. M: 6-16-1928 Goldie Maurer. By former marriage, she had Helen B: 4-14-1920, Richard B: 8-21-1921 and Floyd B: 1-2-1924. Res. one mile north of Gettysburg, R.R. No. 4, Bradford, O. He is assistant cashier in the Citizens National Bank, Gettysburg. He was in France in the World War.

14-34 Donald B: 10-29-1929.

13-31 Della Kneisly. M: 12-9-1894 Calvin Waymire. Res. West Milton, Ohio.

14-38 Grace. B: 10-7-1895. M: 4-16-1914 Forest Betz. Res. Union, O.
Children: Marilla B: 6-21-1915, Bob B: 8-22-1917.
14-39 Herman. B: 10-23-1897. M: 8-3-1918 Ethel Walker. Res. West Milton, O. Children: Marthel B: 6-9-1920 and Billie B: 8-8-1926.
14-40 Harry. B: 10-16-1900. M: 7-24-1923 Eunice Kuntz. Res. Laura, O. Children: Nancy B: 9-18-1926 and Patsy B: 1-1-1929.
14-41 Clarence. B: 10-20-1903. M: 8-4-1927 Pauline Flory. Res. W. Milton, O.
14-42 Virgil. B: 5-9-1908. M: 7-28-1930 Jean Folknor, Res. W. Milton, O.

14-43 Robert. B: 9-18-1910. M: 5-7-1931 Charlotte Tansel. Res. Hollywood, Cal.
14-44 Elizabeth. B: 9-20-1912.

13-32 Charles Kneisly. M: Retta Fox. Res. Englewood, O.
14-48 Harold. M: 11-24-1923 Mary Hoover. Res. R.R. 3 Brookville, O. Children: Pauline B: 4-4-1925, Mildred B: 9-27-1927 and Carl B: 5-24-1930.
14-49 Dorthia.

13-35 Florence Kneisly. M: Vernon Brombaugh.
14-53 Evalin.
14-54 Paul.
14-55 Clarence.
14-56 Ralph.

13-38 Elsie Kneisly. M: 10-31-1909. Michael M. Haines. B: 9-21-1885. Res. R.R. No. 1 Ludlow Falls, O.
14-60 Emerson. B: 2-26-1911.
14-61 Aubrey. B: 8-29-1914.
14-62 Lester. B: 1-16-1918.

13-39 Mazy Kneisly. M: 1-24-1909, West of Union, Montgomery Co. O. Albert Hoke, B: 3-3-1887. Res. Clayton, Ohio.
14-65 Vesta Elizabeth B: 1-16-1910
14-66 Howard K. B: 9-4-1911
14-67 Ralph Edward B: 11-18-1913
14-68 Dale Richard B: 6-24-1915
14-69 Erma Anna B: 8-13-1918
14-70 Daniel Dwain B: 12-6-1919
14-71 Doris Clover B: 6-30-1922
14-72 Albert Jr. B: 7-29-1924
14-73 Amor Dwight B: 9-24-1928

13-52 Harry Loren Kneisly. M: 1912 Houston, Texas, Margaret Stillwell 13-52 divorced her, 1916 in Dallas, Texas. M: 6-30-1920, Troy, O., Elizabeth Stubbs. D: 12-17-1921, St. Paul, Minn., buried Lebanon, O. M: 1-2-1928 Oneonta, N. Y. Alice Menard B: 7-16-1902.

13-52 raised in Troy, Ohio, by his Uncle W. A. Evans, from age 6. Graduated from Ohio State University 1911 with degree of Mechanical Engineer in Electrical Engineering.

13-52 experienced in all departments of engineering connected with public utility companies with Stone & Webster, Galveston, Texas, 1911; Electric Bond and Share, Dallas, Texas, 1913; First Lieutenant Signal Corps 1917-1919, most of the time in France; American Light and Traction, St. Paul, Minn., 1919; J. G. White Management Corp., New York City, 1922; Associated Gas and Electric Co., Oneonta, N. Y., New York City, Reading, Pa. 1924-1932.

14-76 Virginia. B: 11-17-1921, St. Paul, Minn. Raised by relatives, H. E. Scott, Columbus, O.
14-77 Jane Louise. B: 2-3-1929, Staten Island, New York.

13-55 Pearl Diltz. M: 6-11-1902 Forest Stephens. B: 2-21-1878. Res. Market St., Troy, O.
14-80 Robert B: 12-20-1906.

13-58 George Kneisly. M: 10-27-1910 Maude Alcorn. Res. Gettysburg, Ohio.

14-90 Eleanor Mae. B: 1-20-1912.
14-91 Marlan Isabel. B: 11-24-1913.
14-92 Harold James. B: 11-24-1915.
14-93 Margaret Ellen.

13-59 Daniel Kneisly. M: 5-30-1905 Cora Hyde. Res. 1227 Market St., Logansport, Ind.

14-97 Othal. B: 5-9-1906. M: 7-8-1930 Mary Schwartz. Res. Logansport, Ind.
14-98 Harold. B: 9-22-1908. M: 5-17-1930 Irene Tracy. Res. Logansport, Ind. Children: Daniel Lee B: 7-14-1931.
14-99 Norbert. B: 12-19-1910.
14-100 Lenoris. B: 4-15-1913.
14-101 Freelin. B: 9-4-1915.
14-102 Forest. B: 1-12-1920.

13-62 Mary Kneisly. M: Ward Eshleman. Res. 1222 E. Central Ave., Wichita, Kan.

14-105 Helen. B: 5-22-1912
14-106 Emma.
14-107 Blanche.
14-108 Virgil.
14-109 Ina.
14-110 Robert.
14-111 Joseph. Deceased.

13-63 Ruth Kneisly. M: 9-23-1912 Will Hept. Res. 128 Hanna Ave., Drexel, Dayton, Ohio.

14-115 Florence. B: 7-24-1913.
14-116 Robert. B: 9-4-1914.
14-117 Ralph. B: 9-9-1916.
14-118 Ruby. B: 1-29-1920.

13-64 May Kneisly. M: Earl Eshleman. Res. Bradford, Ohio.

14-120 Herbert. B: 1-5-1916.
14-121 Herman. B: 1-5-1916. D: 1-7-1916.
14-122 Forest. B: 9-23-1917.
14-123 Gerald. B: 11-7-1921.
14-124 Harold. B: 11-7-1921. D: 11-8-1921.
14-125 Von Russell B: 9-17-1924.

13-95 Dr. Ora B. Kneisly. M: 12-25-1905, Dayton, O., St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Bessie Wrede Backus, daughter of George and Mary Backus of Cincinnatti, O.

13-95 was a member of the Charter Commission, which drafted the Charter of Dayton in 1913; City Commissioner 1920-1924; Member of City Charter Revision Committee 1931; Sr. Member Oral Surgery Division Staff, St. Elizabeth Hospital, and Ohio Soliders and Sailors Orphans Home. See also Memoirs of Miami Valley, Conover 1919, page 346, Dayton Library.

Res. 1303 Riverside Drive, Dayton, O. Office in American Building. No issue.

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 1897. Page 24. Lavina, wife of John Knisely. Died 9-20-1861. aged 49 years, 7 mo. 29 days. Newbery graveyard, Newbery Twp., York Co., Pa.
 Wills of York Co., Pa. 1749-1820. Kniselley, Samuel, (D) 4-17-1790—(P) 4-29-1790. Exec. Tobias Kepner, Mary and John Kniselley. Dover Twp. (w) Mary. Children—John, Abraham and Mary (w) Tobias Kepner.
5. Mt. Bethel Cemetery, Columbia, Pa. All Kneislys recorded.
6. East Prospect Cemetery, York Co. Kneislys recorded.
7. Machpelah Cemetery. One mile from Hellam, York Co. No Kneislys.
8. Canadochly Cemetery, Lutheran Church, near Delroy, which is near Yorkana, York Co. No Kneislys.
9. Stickler burying ground. One mile north of pike at Stony Brook, York Co. No Kneislys.
10. Menonite Churchyard. Called Stony Brook Churchyard. Located two miles from Stony Brook. Mary, wife of Joseph Knisely, born 10-17-1844. Died 3-12-1874. Mr. Forrey of Stony Brook said this was the second wife.
11. Locust Grove Cemetery. Not locally called Stony Brook Churchyard. Two miles from village. Large number of old gravestones and also graves without stones. Front all new graves. "Henry Knisely died 9-17-1900. Aged 67 years, 7 mo., 2 days. Anna Mary, his wife died 8-22-1917. Aged 78 years, 6 mo., 21 days. Annie L. Knisely died 11-17-1894. Aged 16 years. 6 mo. 7 days.
12. Fryesville Cemetery. 3 miles from Stony Brook. Many very old graves. All Kneislys recorded.
13. Rhorerstown Cemetery and Menonite Churchyard. Both in Rhorerstown, Lancaster Co. No Kneislys.

14. Memorials of Huguenots in America. By Staplelon. Published 1901 by Huguenot Pub. Co., Carlisle, Pa. List of members of Huguenot Society of Penn.
15. 1790 Census. Under Nicely—there is Stephen, Bucks Co.—Jacob, Warrington, York Co.—John, Bedford Co.
16. History of Lancaster Co. John Kneisley 1769 owned 7 acres in Little Britian Twp. Christian Kneisley 1780 East Cocalico Twp., p. 711, 150 acres, 3 horses, 4 cows, 340 pounds.
17. History of Franklin Co., Pa.—Bates—1887. p. 531. Lot owners on original plot, village of Waynesboro. 3-6-1798 lot 18 Henry Neisely.
18. History of York Co., Pa.—Prowell—1907, Vol. Ip. 263. Third Battalion 1775 Colonel Richard McAllister of Hanover, who commanded 2nd. Pa. Reg. of Flying Camp; organized from Twps. of Berwick, Heidelberg, Paradise, Mt. Pleasant, Manheim (Private Abraham Knisely) and Germany. p. 273. Original Militia 1777 of 2nd. Battalion—not mustered—Private Christian Kneisley. p. 1027 Taxables. John Kneisly 58 acres. Monaghan 1783. Sam Nisely 100 acres. Mary Kneisly, Iron ore.
19. Court House, Lancaster, Pa.
 Samuel Kneisly and wife Catharine, to Christian Kauffman. Book O. Vol. 7, p. 120. Indenture 3-8-1825. East Hempfield Twp. Sold for $1400 three lots adjoining: No. 3 for 11 acres, No. 8 for 6 acres. This adjoined land of John Kneisly, deceased. No. 4 for 16 acres. This adjoined land of Casper Fordney, deceased. This land was purchased from Michael Bear by Samuel 5-15-1813. Deed book 24 p. 81. Samuel Knisely and wife Catharine 7-9-1821 sold to Amos H. Slaymaker a lot in Columbia. Purchased 2-10-1815 fromJ acob Strickler.
 Benjamin Kneisly (11-50)? sold land in Conestoga Twp. to Jacob Warfel 10-23-1845. Deed book C, Vol. 7, p. 47.
20. Court House, Carlisle, Cumberland Co., Pa.
 Peter Kniseley estate, Silver Spring Twp. Orphans' Court docket 13, p. 165. Administration of Peter Kniseley, 2-11-1853. Letters issued to James Irvine, Sureties, Henry W. Grissinger, and Samuel Greenwood.

 At an Orphan's Court held Jan. 1853, was heard the petition of Anthony, Abraham, Peter, Adeline, George W., and Susannah Kniseley, minor children of Peter Kniseley, late of Silver Spring Twp., presented by their mother Matilda Kniseley, all the minors aforesaid being below the age of 14 years. The Court appoints the person nominated by the mother, viz. Christian Crall, Silver Spring Twp., guardian.

 Orphan's Court docket 13, p. 225, 8-15-1853. Petition is made asking for a division of the real estate of the late Peter Kniseley, late of Silver Spring Twp. for settlement of his estate. Petition recites that he left heirs—Widow Matilda and 6 children, viz. Anthony, Abraham, Peter, George, Susan and Adeline Kniseley. Court awarded petitions of partition.
21. Court House, York, Pa.
 While there was a big settlement of Kneislys in York Co. prior to 1790 there are few early records at the Court House for them. There are many of later years.
 Samuel Kniselly of Dover Twp.—Mason, wife Mary. Died 2-12-1790. Will was partly written on his death bed and finished after his death by the men called in for the purpose. Not very clear.

Says only child Elizabeth, but another place speaks of son John. Mentions an Abraham (perhaps a brother) and a brother John.

Samuel Kneisly. 3-2-1822. Deceased of Allen Twp., Cumberland Co. and Menahan Twp., York Co. County boundary ran through his farm. Wife Mary. Children: John, Samuel, Jacob, Catharine wife of John Breniser and Jane a minor.

Catharine Kneisly. Daughter of Michael. Under 14 years. Samuel Kneisly, administrator of Michael appointed guardian 3-27-1826.

Christian Kneisly of Chanceford Twp. Will 9-8-1835.

22. Trinity Lutheran Church, Lancaster, Pa.
Samuel Kneisle and Maria Patterson married 4-14-1813. Note—There were Pattersons in the Hempfield section.

23. Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, near Stouchburg, west of Reading, Pa., founded 1734, has no Kneisly graves, altho available records show they lived within one Township of there.

24. Hellers Salem Reformed Church, Founded 1725, near Mechanicsburg, on the road from Lancaster to New Holland, has no Kneisly graves, however a few stones are not legible.

25. The 1810 Census of Manor Twp. L. Co. shows Christian Knisely, aged 45 years or over, with one son and one daughter under 10 years, and wife 45 or older. It also shows Christian Knesley Jr. aged 26 and under 45, likewise his wife, with 3 sons and 2 daughters under 10, one son 10 to 16 and daughter 16 to 26. The Sr. was probably 9-18, tho he may have been 10-44.

Deed book G, vol. 5, p. 169, Lancaster, Benj. Wright and wife to Henry Reich 3-1-1827. Five acres in Manor Twp. being part of a larger tract, the title of which runs back to 1737. * * * * 11-9-1799—46 acres to Valentine Rummel, Jr., and the said Valentine Rummel and Elizabeth his wife 3-1-1810 sold 5 acres to Christian Kneisly, and Christian Kneisly and Susanna, his wife 3-21-1823 sold it to Benj. Wright.

26. Woodland cemetery, Dayton, Ohio. John Knisely; Eve, wife of John Kneisly. Children: Frederick K, Moses, William F. Grandchildren: Catharine, daughter of Benjamin and Zerniah; Samuel A. Cook, son of Catharine Ann Lockard. Mary, wife of Benjamin Knisely, daughter of Daniel and Christina Knisely.

John Knisely's will recorded book C-1, page 187, Dayton, O. (D) 11-19-1838, (P) 1839. (w) Eve. Children: Frederick, Joseph, Moses, William, Catherine. Grandchildren: Benjamin, son of Benjamin, deceased; two children of Catherine namely Mary Ann and Samuel A. Cook.

Eve Knisely's will probated 1863 book F, page 501 in Probate Court, Dayton, O. Children: Frederick, Joseph, Catherine Ann Sochard. Three children of Joseph namely Catherine Mable, Nancy Eve, William Harrison.

This John cannot be 10-20 as he was born in 1778 while 10-20, according to the 1790 census under 9-2 was born 1774 or earlier. Also the will of this John does not mention the children of 10-20. The deed or release in 1839 under 9-2 refers to children of 10-23. The dates of the other deeds of release are after the death of this John. Possibly he is 10-41 as the latter lived in York Co., Pa. and this John had a son Joseph born in Little York, Pa.

Additional information which appears below was given to 13-95 by Dayton K., the only living child of Joseph.

John Knisely. B: 12-8-1778, D: 1-16-1839. M: Eve, B: 5-31-1780, D: 4-24-1863. Joseph B: 1806 Little York, Pa. D: 1888. Children by first marriage: Catherine Mable, Nancy Eve, William Harrison, D: Springfield, O., Benjamin, Drowned in Platte river 1849. Second wife Elizabeth Hagenbuch. Children: Joseph K. B: 1850, George B: 1853, Dayton K. B: 1857, Clara, Louise, Etta, Emma, Anna, Callie.

Frederick K. B: 8-23-1808, D: 11-23-1891. M: Gebhart. Children: Margaret, Mary Eve.

Moses B: 8-7-1811, D: 3-26-1845.

William F. B: 7-19-1817, D: 7-28-1840.

Benjamin M: Mary, daughter of Daniel and Christina Knisely, B: 5-14-1809, D: 12-21-1829. M: Zerniah. Children of Benjamin: Catherine, aged 2 yrs. Benjamin.

Catherine Ann. M: Cook, M: Sochard (or Lockard). Children: Mary Ann and Samuel A. Cook.

Maggie M: Lincoln White.

Lizzie M: Gebhart.

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